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TO-DAY.

(March 15.)

Rotary Club Tiffin, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant. Speaker: Rev. E. L. Allan on "The Future of Western Civilisation."

Meeting of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamship Co., Ltd., 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Hong Kong and New Territories Ferry Co., Ltd., China Building, 12 noon.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

Lecture on First Aid and Home Nursing by Dr. P. Rutonjee at King's Restaurant, 4.45 p.m.

Whist Drive at St. Patrick's Club, Golf.—Final of Ross Cup (Ladies).

Lawn Tennis.—Open Doubles: E. and F. R. Zimmer v. Chiu Chun Chiu and W. C. Hung; Lee Wai Tai and Lee Woon Tai v. Ho Ka Lau and Yew Man Kit; Open Singles: J. W. Leonard v. G. W. Sewell.

King's Theatre: "The Yellow Ticket."

Central Theatre: "The Age for Love."

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World Theatre: "Three Heroes" (Chinese film).

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European Mail.—Outward: Europe via Suez (Andre Lebon) 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (President Coolidge) 4.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

(March 16.)

Lammert's Sale of Steam Launch "Elio" Sales Room, 12 noon.

Whist Drive at Seamen's Institute, 8 p.m. and Kowloon Dock, 9 p.m.

Hunting: Faaling Hunt Hounds Meet (Sheungshui) 3.15 p.m.

Hockey: Club v. Borderers (U.S.R.C. ground) 5.15 p.m.

Hong Kong Cricket Club Tennis Tournament.—Open Singles (Stand Court): J. A. E. Cassamboy v. Y. Hachima, Honda v. Luk Ding Cheung; Open Doubles: Sewell and Wright v. S. A. and H. D. Ram; Club Championship: Holmes v. Goldman, MacDougall v. Walsbank; Handicap Singles "B": Scull v. Stabb, Penn v. Hill, Lampard v. Knowles; Handicap Doubles: Marton and Owen Hughes v. Ride and Harkins; Handicap Mixed Doubles: Mitchell and Miss Hutcheson v. Segalen and Mrs. Davenport Brown.

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THE BACKGROUND OF DISARMAMENT (II)

FIFTY FOUR NATIONS REPRESENTED AT GENEVA

GOAL TO BE REACHED BY SUCCESSIVE STEPS.

It is not too much to say that the General Disarmament Conference which is now in Session is the most important gathering ever held, more important even than the conference at Versailles which brought an end to the World War. The Peace Conference, to be sure, was historically important, but it was limited to the allied and associated powers. It did not include neutrals, enemies or Soviets, and though it reshuffled the map of more than one continent, it did not build a new world on the basis of common consent.

The Disarmament Conference was the most ambitious and sweeping gathering ever attempted in history. There have come to Geneva the representatives of fifty-four nations, some members of the League, and others not; some predominantly military, others predominantly naval; some naval and military, some demanding that security precede disarmament, others insisting that disarmament will bring security, all with interests and views as varying and different as any one conference can possibly be. They will deliberate on the terms of reference provided by a skeleton draft for limitation and reduction of land, naval and air armaments.

This draft convention emerged after four years of lengthy discussion. This explains the crop of reservations that accompany it and the somewhat timid expression of its purpose in Article I of the convention: "The high contracting parties undertake to limit and, so far as possible, to reduce their respective armaments as provided in the present convention."

Ominous Issues.

The controversies and the issues which were raised in the Preparatory Commission are ominous. They foreshadow the line that the governments may take at the conference. What are these vital issues?

1. **Trained reserves.** The armies, or land effective as they are technically known, of the various nations, are either professional standing armies or "conscript" armies. Great Britain, the United States and Germany possess the professional type, whereas a greater number of nations possess the "conscript" type. The professional type is expensive, and since it carries a long period of enlistment—three years in the United States, twelve in Germany, and twelve years in Great Britain—it is more efficient in proportion to its size than the "conscript" type.

The latter type consists of men who are called to the colours for a limited period of time and then pass on to civil life as "trained reserves" subject to call for further service to keep in training or for active service in time of war. The "conscript" system enables a country to build up a large reserve force. Those nations having the professional system want the reserves included in measuring the army strength of a nation. Those with the conscriptionist system have refused to yield. They have, in fact, won the day for the time being—the limitation of trained reserves was not included in the draft convention. This issue undoubtedly will arise to plague the conference.

Method of Limitation.

2. **Land armaments.** Here the conflict has arisen over the method of limitation. Should land armaments be limited directly, i.e., by enumeration—so many tanks, so many guns, so many rifles—or should they be limited indirectly, i.e., through the amounts to be spent. By the Treaty of Versailles, Germany's armaments are already limited directly; for her to accept budgetary limitation in addition would be heaping insult upon injury. The United States also finds objections to budgetary.

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THE BACKGROUND OF DISARMAMENT (II).

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limitation. The Preparatory Commission adopted the rule of budgetary limitation. Unless the Disarmament Conference, revises this action of the commission, Germany has said she will not sign a disarmament treaty.

3. Budgetary limitation. In addition to limiting expenditures on land and naval armaments, the draft convention provides for limitation of total annual expenditure on land, sea and air forces. The United States has modified its objections to budgetary limitation, yet upon the United States and Germany primarily rests the decision whether the world is to have armament limitation by the direct or budgetary method.

U.S. Contention.

4. Naval limitation. The direct method of limitation read into the draft convention is very largely that agreed upon at the London Naval Conference. The United States insists that the problem of naval armaments was settled by the Washington and London treaties, and should not be reopened before 1935, when another conference is due to be held. The task of the present conference, she holds, is to fit the nonsignatories so far as possible into the framework of the London treaty. The British Government, however, has made it known that it will press at Geneva for the abolition or the eventual elimination of capital ships. If the United States resists discussion, she will place herself in the position of being the lone defender of these floating fortresses.

Italy's insistence on naval parity with France will arise to trouble the assembled delegates. The problem of navies is far from settled.

5. Air Armaments. The standard of limitation adopted in the case of airplanes is first, the number, and secondly, the total horsepower. The limitation does not apply to the aggregate of war material in reserve. The German Government has pointed out that under the draft convention countries are left free to increase their stocks of aircraft not yet assembled, and to arrange their air armaments as they please, without exceeding the fixed limits. This is a serious defect which the British attempted to remedy by proposing limitation of air material by expenditure. This proposal, however, was voted down.

Political Problems.

6. Political issues. As difficult as the technical questions of armaments are, they fade into insignificance when compared with the political problems which will face the General Conference. The question of the revision of treaties of peace, the problem presented by Soviet Russia, the Franco-Italian quarrel over naval equality which is tied up with Italian colonial ambitions in North Africa, and France's insistence on security, are some of the imponderables which are likely to arise, and add to the already existing difficulties. These will have to be resolved before a treaty for any definite reduction and limitation of armaments is signed.

The spade-work of the Preparatory Commission has been of inestimable value. However disappointing some of the methods adopted by the commission may be, the fact remains that disarmament plans have been carried to a stage unknown before in the history of the world. Through this commission's work the world has been apprised of the national attitudes which the nations now meeting in Geneva will strike. This in itself is an achievement. If it took a decade for the three largest naval powers to reach a mere limitation agreement, it is not to be expected that some fifty-four nations will reach a complete agreement on limitation and reduction of armaments in a few days.

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FAMILY OF SIX WIPED OUT.

GHASTLY MURDER ON FRENCH FARM.

Paris.—A young farmer at Moirax, near Agen, in the Lot-et-Garonne Department, is alleged to have confessed to the brutal murder of six members of his family.

The farm where the crime was committed is in an isolated spot, and was occupied by Mme. Dieulefuit, her mother and brother, her son Pierre, and his wife and two children.

A neighbour, who had seen none of them for some days called in the police. All the members of the family, with the exception of Pierre Dieulefuit, were found dead.

They had been variously killed by blows from an axe or a knife, or shot. Police inquiries led to the arrest of Pierre Dieulefuit, and he is reported to have made a full confession.

According to this, after having sought to establish an alibi by visiting a friend at Clairac, some miles away, he returned secretly to the farm in the night and committed the ghastly crime. After a short talk with his wife he fetched a hatchet and struck her several times on the head. Then, getting a knife from the kitchen, he went to his grandmother's room and told her he had a cold. While she was making him a hot drink he stabbed her.

His uncle awoke, whereupon Dieulefuit stabbed him, but seeing him move took down a gun and struck him on the head. He afterwards shot his mother and his daughter aged nine and stabbed the baby.

During his interrogation by the police he seemed perfectly calm and even cynical. When asked to state the motive for such a massacre, he is said to have replied, "What would you? All these people were against me, and so I suppressed them."

tion of air, land and sea armaments in one conference. The habits of centuries cannot be thrown off in a single conference.

A Miracle.

Should the nations in Geneva reach a mere limitation agreement, and thus stabilize armaments at even a high level, they will have performed a miracle. For, while for many, especially Germany, the degree of reduction is the chief criterion of success, this is less important at the stage than the universality that would be attained in the limitation agreement. The aim of limiting armaments is to contribute to the prevention of war. The first and essential task, therefore, would seem to be the stabilization of existing armaments. That task achieved, the process of reducing the process of reducing the stabilized levels becomes the second task.

In the nature of things, disarmament must be a continuous process. Disarmament, as Secretary Stimson has declared, is "a goal to be reached by successive steps, by frequent revision and improvement. Human affairs are not static, but are moving, and we believe, improving."

For that reason we feel that the sound and obvious course is to reach such agreements as may be possible now, with the knowledge that they are open to revision at appropriate periods.

JUDGMENT FOR AN ADMIRAL.

WOMAN'S LIBEL SUIT FAILS.

SIR JAMES STARTIN IN THE BOX.

Judgment with costs was given for Admiral Sir James Startin, Linley Hall, Bishop's Castle, Shropshire, in the action for alleged libel and slander brought against him at Shropshire Assizes.

It was intimated that the admiral would not ask for costs.

Plaintiff was Mrs. Phyllis Cecil Eustace, a member of a well-known Shropshire family. She complained of the terms of a letter she received from Mrs. Wardman, postmistress at Rattlinhope, which, it was alleged, had been dictated to her by the defendant.

Resuming her evidence, Mrs. Eustace said that during an interview with the admiral on July 19 he gave her the impression that other people and not himself were responsible for the alleged slanderous statements.

A conversation she had with Mrs. Wardman was mentioned to him, and she (Mrs. Eustace) was very indignant, and said to him, "I have seen Mrs. Wardman and she says that you dictated a letter to her and had sent word to the effect that I was a bad woman."

Plaintiff described a "bad woman" as one who lived on ill-gotten gains or money she obtained from men. The admiral, she said, denied that he had spoken words with the meaning alleged.

Divorce Decree.

In the second divorce a decree was made in her favour and mention was made of her misconduct with a Mr. Thomas. The decree was in November, 1930, and the incident with Mr. Thomas occurred two years before. Since that incident no act of misconduct had been committed by her.

The Hon. Sir Reginald Coventry (for defendant): Did Capt. Eustace take proceedings against you for divorce?—Yes, as a counter-action.

Mrs. Musson, who gave evidence on the previous day, was now cross-examined, and said that she went on the Sunday with Mrs. Eustace to see the admiral on leaving the church. He said he took full responsibility for advising Mrs. Wardman to write to Mrs. Eustace. She was certain the admiral said "I dictated the letter."

Sir Reginald Coventry: Did not the admiral give you to understand that the information was gained at an interview he had with Mrs. Wardman?—No. Mrs. Wardman liked Mrs. Eustace, but she said, "I dare not keep you here."

Sir Cecil Thursby.

Did Mrs. Eustace tell you that her uncle, Sir Cecil Thursby, had said that Admiral Startin was a kindly man?

Witness said she heard something to that effect.

Mr. Robert Dixon Musson, of Yockleton, said he heard scraps of conversation between Admiral Startin and Mrs. Eustace and heard him say he would bring the people together. He said that if their statements were not correct "I am entirely with you." He (witness) did not hear him say Mrs. Wardman was the person who gave him the information.

The judge said he understood that Admiral Startin took responsibility for the contents of the letters.

Sir Reginald submitted that the admiral was privileged and that there was no evidence of malice. The admiral, he said, had charge of the parish. Mrs. Wardman was a parishioner, and at an interview with him she gave him certain information.

Admiral Sir James Startin said he was 70, and for 35 years was in the Navy. When the rector left Rattlinhope he was asked to take charge and become a lay reader. He took services, visited the parishioners, and continually gave advice to Mrs. Wardman. He did these duties with the approval of the Bishop and Rural Dean.

A new rector had been appointed recently and he continued to visit Rattlinhope. Mrs. Wardman was organist of the church. In July Mrs. Wardman sought an interview with him, and his wife took her to him while he was in his car at Rattlinhope.

"I Want Your Advice."

Mrs. Wardman said to him, "I want to ask your advice." She added that plaintiff had gone to church and had sat in the chancel and that Miss Wright had objected to her sitting there. His view, which he expressed to Mrs. Wardman, was that Miss Wright could not prevent plaintiff going to church, and that she ought to be allowed to go there. Miss Wright was what might be called the leading resident at Rattlinhope, living in the vicarage.

Next day he saw the rector and Miss Wright about the church incident, and subsequently Mrs. Wardman. He told her it had been represented to him that, if Mrs. Eustace remained as a lodger, she might lose her position as organist, and Mrs. Wardman said, "I am going to ask Mrs. Eustace not to return, and I am going to do it now."

Mrs. Wardman wrote a letter which she read out, and which stated, "I am asking you not to return over." He objected to the word "ever," and said, "Why may she never return?" He did not see the letter, but he suggested adding, "I have been good to you, and now you be good to me."

Counsel: Why did the letter have your name at the beginning?—When she wrote out the letter I said, "You had better let me take the onus."

The admiral said that he did not dictate the letter. Speaking generally, he approved of it.

As far as he could remember, he did not say he would call a meeting of the people who had accused her. He did say that if the lady had been maligned he would take care she was vindicated. He accepted full responsibility for the letter.

Mrs. Winifred Sarah Wardman said when Mrs. Eustace went to lodge at her house she knew all about her, and she had said, "I do my utmost to restrain her madness." She meant that Mrs. Eustace had been through the divorce court twice, and had been ordered out of the country by her friends. The admiral did not dictate the letter.

The questions submitted to the jury and their replies were:

Were the words of which Mrs. Eustace complained spoken about her by Admiral Startin?—Yes. If "Yes," were they spoken in the bona fide belief that they were true?—Yes.

Were they spoken maliciously?—No.

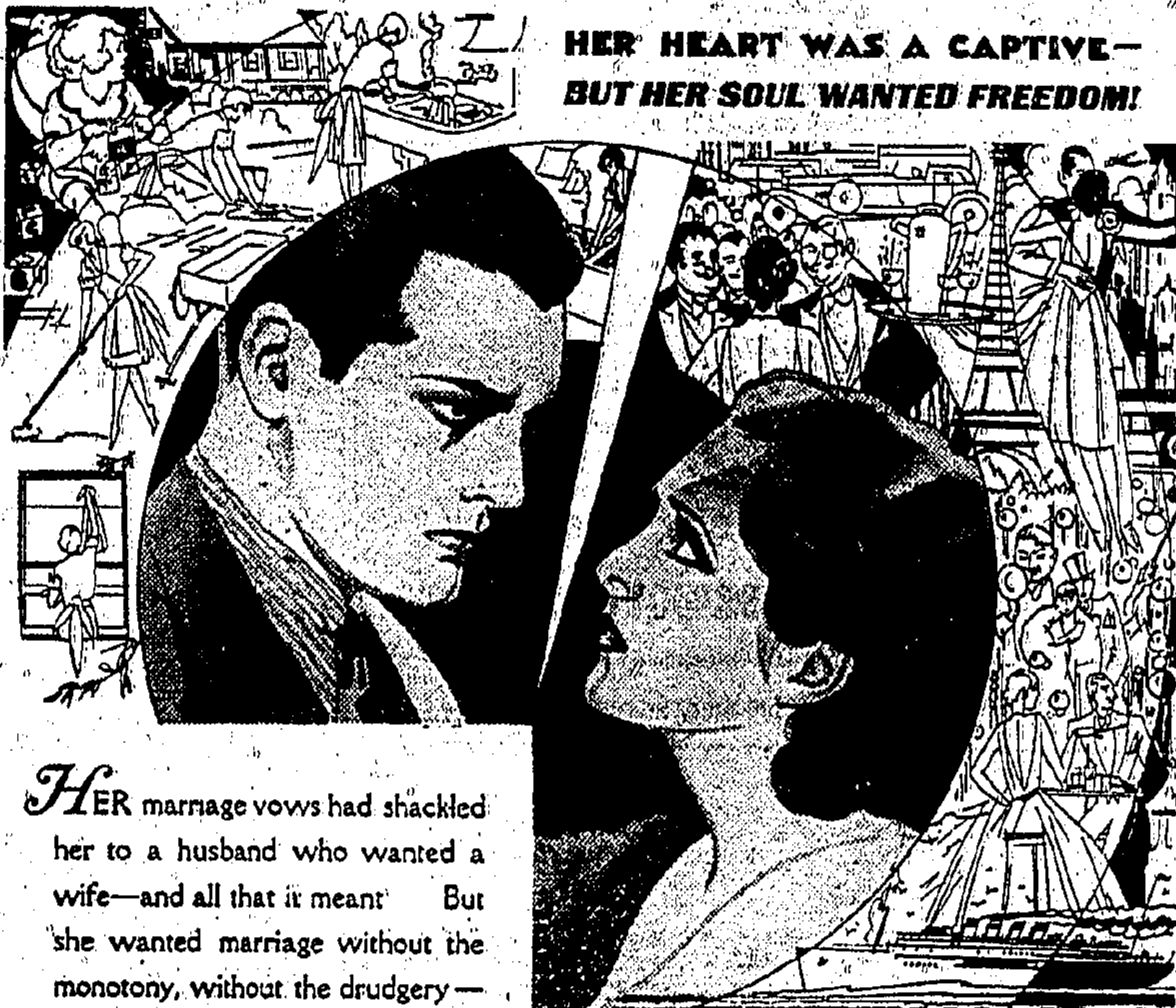
What damages?—None. For Mrs. Eustace: Mr. W. G. Earengay, K.C.; for Sir James Startin, the Hon. Sir Reginald Coventry.

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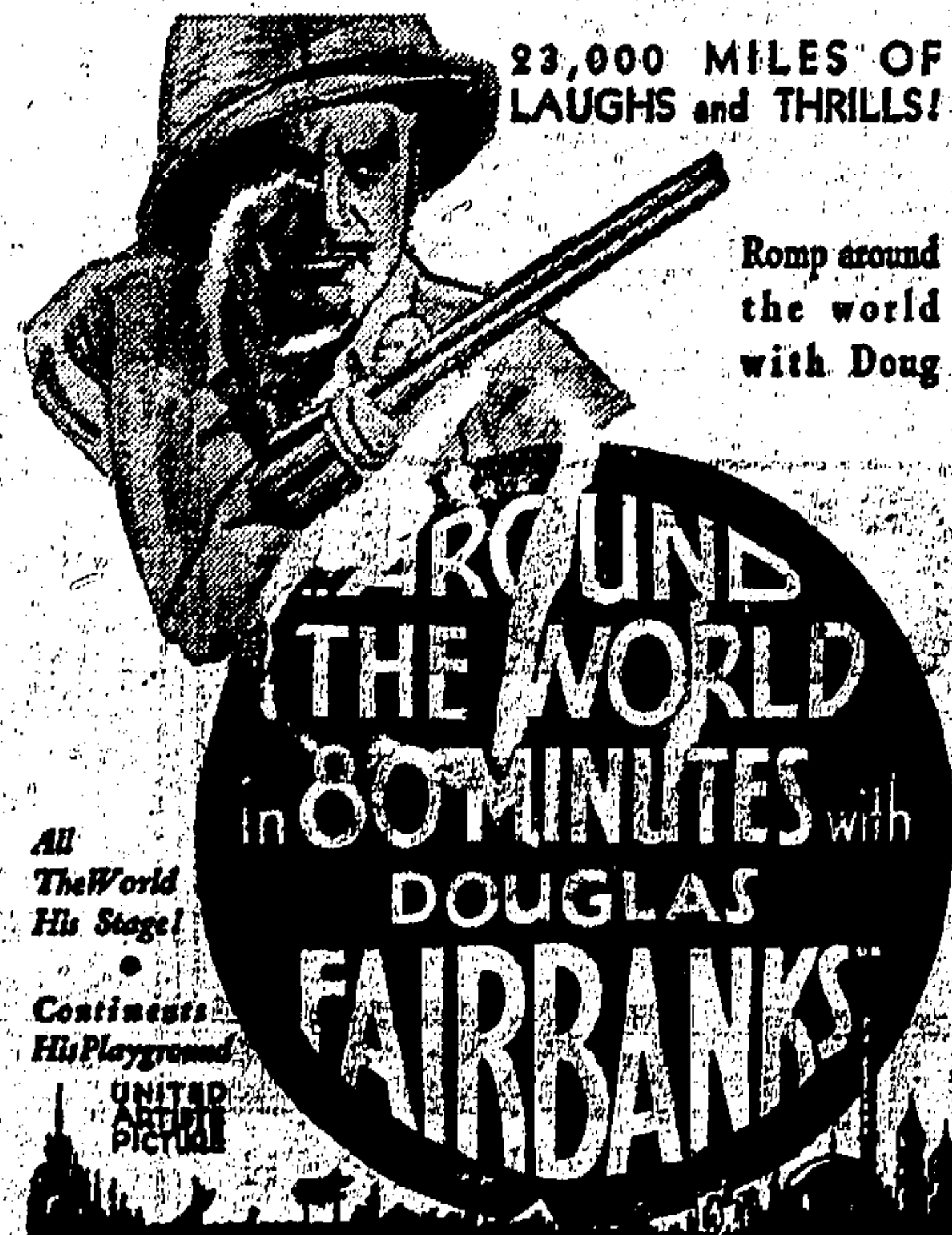
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 1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press news, mail notice, etc. Relay of speech from the Rotary Club tiffin.
 "The Future of Western Civilization" by Dr. E. A. Allen, M.A., D.Ph.
 2 p.m. (approx.)—Close down.
 5 to 8 p.m.—European programme of Victor and H.M.V. records.
 8 to 8.27 p.m.—

Orchestral.

"Reynard Overture" (Thomas arr. Godfrey).—Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
 "In a Persian Market" (Ketelbey).—Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.—C140.
 "Sweetheart" (Strauss).
 "Gipsy Love" (Lehar).—International Concert Orchestra.—C1402.
 "Zampa—Overture" (Herold arr. Godfrey).—Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.—C1421.
 5.27 to 5.40 p.m.—

Organ Solos.

"Fantasia in E" (Saint-Saens).—Dr. Harold Darke.—C1355.
 Organ Papaphrase on "Love's Old Sweet Song" (Molloy arr. Menle).
 (a) "Morning Dew" (b) "The Old Oak Tree" (Power).—Arthur Menle.—C1426.
 5.40 to 5.50 p.m.—

A Concert.

Song—"Angel's Serenade" (Mildred Bragg).
 Song—"Fiddle and I" (Weatherly-Goodwin).—Hilda Lashanska (Soprano).—1548.
 Violoncello Solo—"Intermezzo" (Vivaldi).
 Violoncello Solo—"Serenade Napoletana" (Sgambati).—Pablo Casals.—1542.
 Song—"Mah Lindy Lou" (Strickland).
 Song—"Gwine to Hebb'n" (Wood-Wolfe).—John Charles Thomas (Baritone).—1544.
 Piano Solo—"Spinning Song" (Wagner-Liszt).—Ignace Jan Paderewski.—1549.
 Song—"Ninna-Nanna" (Benelli).
 Song—"Gitana" (Longas).—Tito Schipa (Tenor).—1552.
 Guitar Solo—"Preludio" (Torroba).—Andres Segovia.—1487.
 6.20 to 7.08 p.m.—

Musical Comedy and Talkie Tunes.

"Clowns in Clover—Selection"—The New Mayfair Orchestra.—C1456.
 "Hit the Deck—Selection"—Savoy Orpheans.—C1408.
 "Veronique—Vocal Gems" (Messinger)—Light Opera Co.—C1684.
 "The Girl Friend—Selection"—Savoy Orpheans.—C1409.
 "The Vagabond King—Selection"—Savoy Havana Band.—C1333.
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 7 p.m.—Stock quotations, mail notice, etc.
 7.06 to 7.35 p.m.—
 "Casse-Noisette" (Nutteracker) Suite (Tchaikovsky).—Played by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.—D1214/D1216.
 7.35 to 8 p.m.—
 "Ballade in F Major" (Chopin Op. 38).—Alfred Cortot.—7334.
 "Ballade in A Flat Major" (Chopin Op. 47).—Alfred Cortot.—7335.
 "Ballade in F Minor" (Chopin Op. 52).—Alfred Cortot.—7336.
 8 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
 8.05 to 11.30 p.m.—Ko Shing Theatre relay.
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The rôle of the girl is enacted by Miss Landi and is one that gives full play to her histrionic talents and during her emotional scenes she rises to real heights of dramatic power. Lionel Barrymore appears as the cruel and scheming police head and as usual Mr. Barrymore gives a superb performance. Laurence Olivier, who only recently came to the screen from the London and Broadway stage is excellent in the romantic male lead.

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MOVIE NEWS

On the Screen in Hong Kong.



Harvey Stephens, left, and Tallulah Bankhead in an exciting moment of Paramount's drama, "The Cheat"

"THE CHEAT."

TALLULAH BANKHEAD'S
 NEW PICTURE.

Tallulah Bankhead, star of "Tarnished Lady" and "My Sin," in both of which she scored a triumph has a rôle well fitted to her enigmatic, excitement-craving self in "The Cheat," a modernized Paramount edition of Hector Turnbull's famous box-office leader of silent days. She has the rôle created by Fanny Ward.

With Irving Pichel, who appeared recently in "An American Tragedy" in the "branding" rôle originally done by Sessue Hayakawa, there is every reason to believe that "The Cheat," which will be shown at the King's Theatre beginning next Wednesday, will prove as popular as the earlier silent production.

George Abbott, the director was responsible for "My Sin" and "Secret of a Secretary." The story tells of a woman intrigued by the love-making of a man of oriental culture. In spite of the fact that she is happy and satisfied with her husband, she permits this flirtation and a gambling debt to draw her into his power. He writes a cheque to pay one of her debts, and though in the meantime she gets the money to cancel the cheque she man refuses to consider her promise filled. The later sequence reveals how she is branded, and the dramatic suspense which follows her shooting of her tormentor.

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Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, comedians featured in this picture, "discovered" the General. During the World War Ikonnikoff fought for the Czar. He was a colonel commanding the Finland Regiment of the Imperial Guard.

It was Ikonnikoff who led the "White" army's historic march across Siberia—4,000 miles in the dead of winter. The march ended tragically. He and Kolchak were arrested and imprisoned by the Bolsheviks.

Eight hundred officers were incarcerated. After seven months in prison only thirty-seven remained. "Finally these thirty-seven escaped one night when the guard, numbering twenty-one, became intoxicated," Ikonnikoff said. "There was a bloody fight in which all the guards were slain. With two comrades I escaped to Mongolia."

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Holmes, who is now hot on the scent, tracks down the murderer by following up a clue of a boot tag which he had noticed on Moriarty's left boot when the latter had visited him in disguise.

In an attempt to kill Holmes, Moriarty is at last trapped.

for the film as well. She has the genuine, not the imitated, flippancy that the part demands.

Nevertheless, the film will probably appeal to audiences who have not seen the play. One scene is done far better than the play. The fight between the two great lovers is on the film quite the funniest thing I have watched since the last of the Marx Brothers films.

"PRIVATE LIVES."

LONDON OPINION OF
 NOEL COWARD FILM.

"Private Lives," the screen translation of the Noel Coward comedy, was shown at a midnight all-star, all-charity, all-pushing affair at the Empire London, wrote a London critic.

Doubtless these shows are hearty British fun for those who are not film critics. Writers, however, must rise from our beds a few hours later feeling all the more horrible for spending the early morning in a cinema.

A curious justification for the Noel Coward comedy was in the amusing behaviour of a charming real life couple just behind me. They were obviously very much in love. They were entirely jealous of each other.

They began the evening with a whispered quarrel of ferocious violence. It concerned the sweet fact that neither of them cared a hoot whether the other went off and kissed a hundred other people every night of the week.

Noel Coward's comedy with its similar theme seemed tame by comparison. My two friends behind became so bitter that both left before the film even started!

Voice Study.

No, I am afraid the film does not capture all the dexterity and gaiety of the play. The witty dialogue is still present, but the sophisticated froth of Gertrude Lawrence and Noel Coward is but a shadow in the hands of Robert Montgomery and Norma Shearer.

This actress from Hollywood sounded unpolished and harsh, beside the exquisite subtleties of Gertrude Lawrence, who created the part; this in spite of the fact that Shearer seems to have heard and noted the entire voice inflections of Gertrude Lawrence. She must have listened very closely to the recording the English actress made in the New York studios. Those who saw the first night cannot fail to notice the similarities.

Fullest Fight.

It is rather regrettable that Gertrude Lawrence was not engaged (Continued on Previous Column.)

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DOCTOR CHARGED WITH BIGAMY.

SEQUEL TO 'ARREST IN SINGAPORE.'

London, March 4.—Norman Kirkup, who was arrested in Singapore, was brought up at the Long Ashton sessional court near Bristol on a charge of bigamy and remanded until March 11.

The arrest of a man described as being of Canadian origin and answering to the name of Dr. Norman Nelson Kirkup created a sensation in Singapore on the morning of December 13, when the P. and O. *Karmak* berthed alongside the Tanjong Pagar wharves. The man was accompanied by a young, and pretty woman who was referred to as Mrs. Kirkup. The arrest, which was made by the Singapore Detective Branch, was a result of cabled instructions received from Scotland Yard and the Colonial Office.

When produced before the Singapore Criminal District Court, Kirkup protested his innocence in no uncertain manner and held that a colossal mistake in identity had been made. He denied the allegations of obtaining money by fraud and bigamy. He was on his way to British North Borneo to take up the important appointment of District Surgeon.

Bail in the sum of \$1,000 was fixed and Kirkup's woman companion deposited the amount in cash in Court.

The arrival of further information and papers relating to the accused from England were belated, but when the documents arrived by airmail, Mr. Edwin Tongue, head of the Singapore Detective Branch, "threw a bombshell." According to the documents, the accused was not a doctor at all. The name of Dr. Norman Nelson Kirkup appeared in the British Medical Register but was that of a doctor in the backwoods of Canada. With forged papers, the accused had masqueraded as a mental specialist and had, actually worked in the Mental Hospital, Fishponds, Bristol.

The papers further alleged that the accused had several previous convictions in England and Scotland. He had first married Edith Florence Glass, at Belfast in 1920 and had a young son named Samuel. The name given at the time of this marriage was William Faulkner.

His alleged bigamous marriage was, according to the documents, contracted at Exeter, when in 1931 he married a retired farmer's daughter named Anna Padfield Court. He was also alleged to have obtained a sum of about £180 by fraud from the father of this girl.

Bail was vigorously opposed by Mr. Tongue, and Kirkup was remanded to the Civil Prison where he awaited the arrival of an escort from England. The young woman returned to England. Detective Inspector Reginald Dunster, of the Somerset Constabulary, came out to Singapore to escort Kirkup back to England.

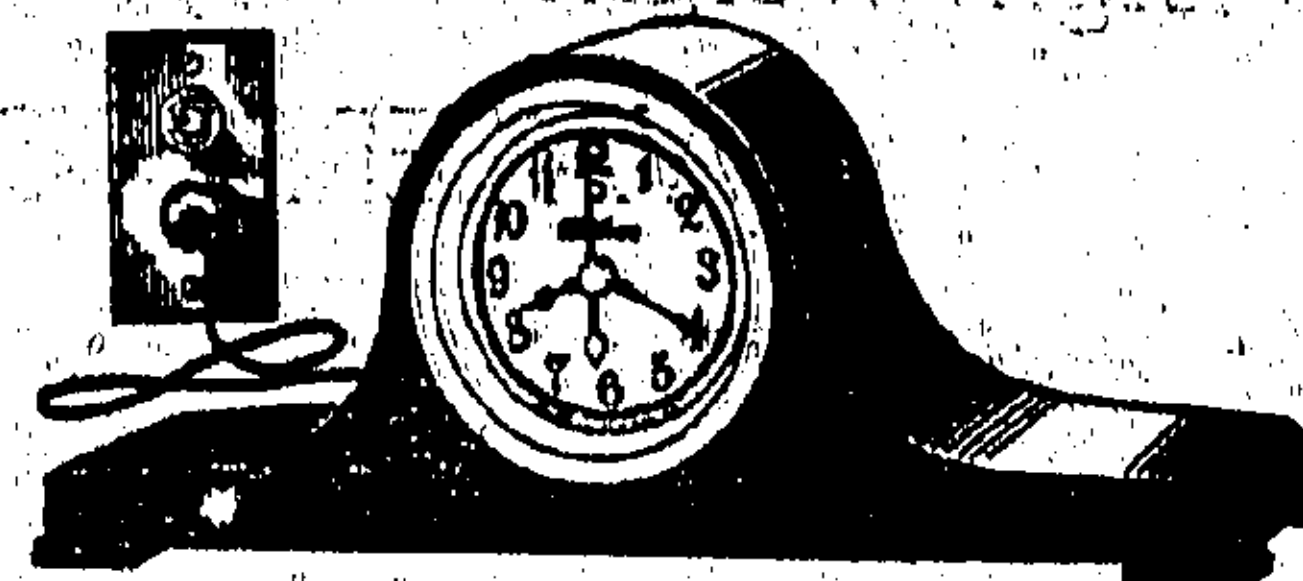
PRISONERS MAY SMOKE.

A CONCESSION AT BRITTON.

Sir Herbert Samuel, the Home Secretary, stated in the House of Commons that arrangements, which would come into operation shortly, had been made at Brixton to allow prisoners on remand and awaiting trial to smoke at certain times of the day.

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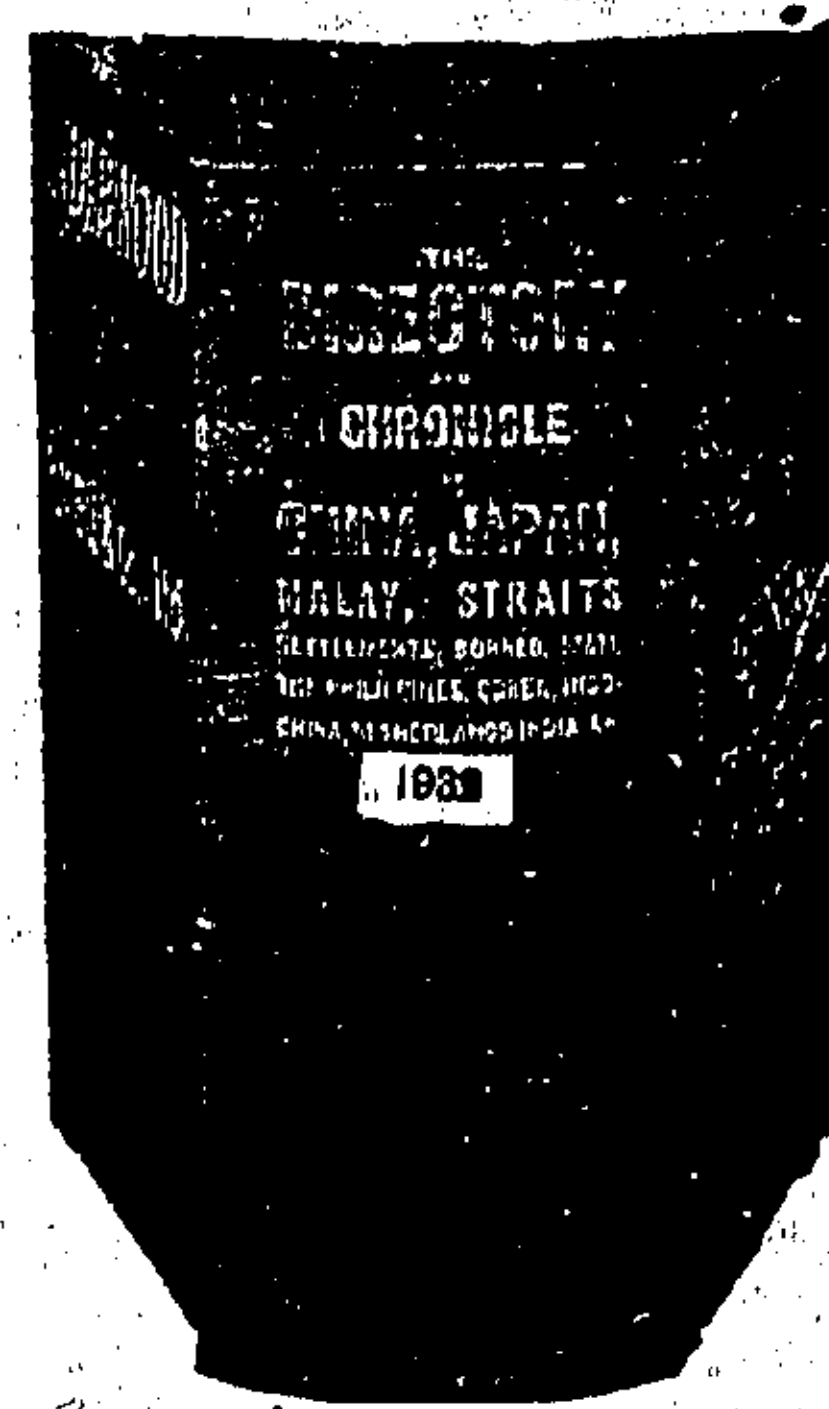
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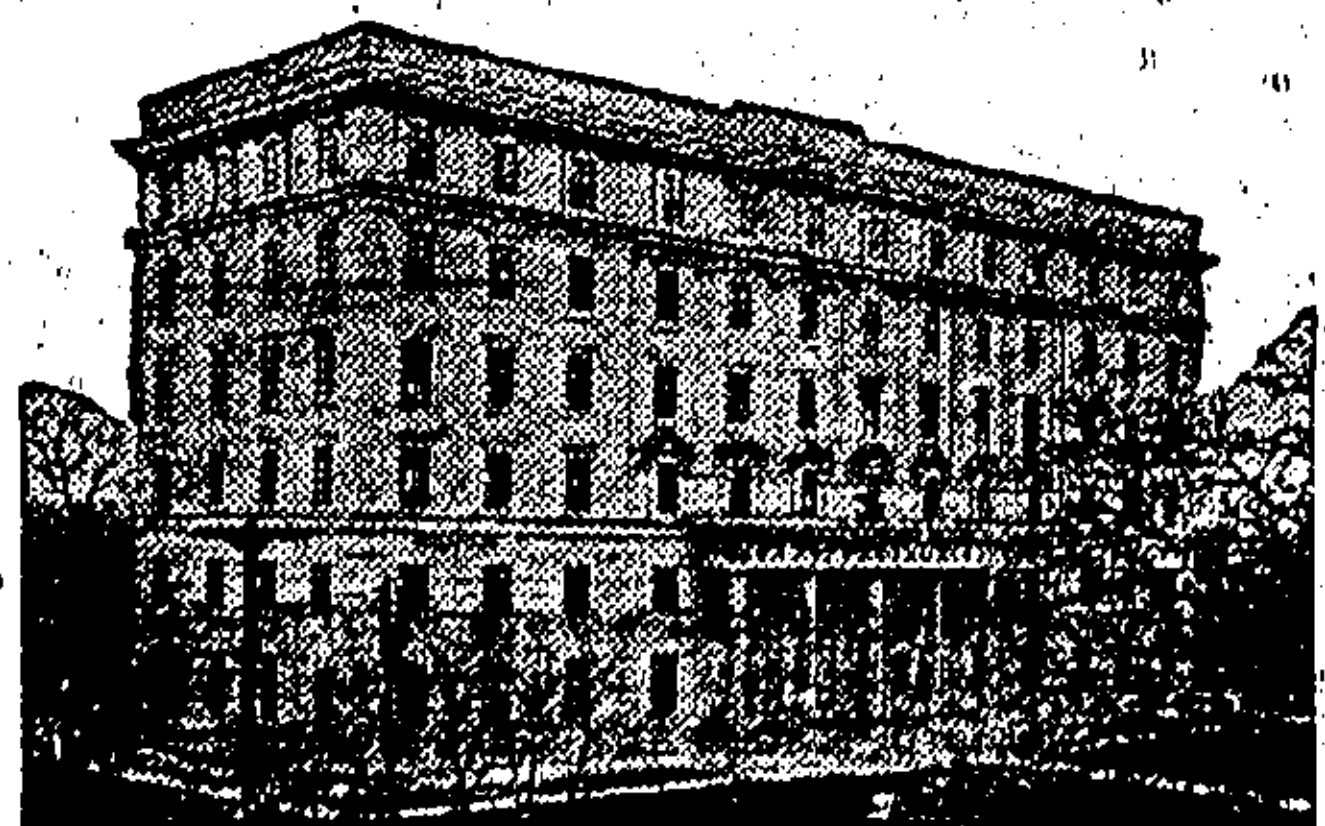
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A NU SOCIETY.

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Before the meeting the company sat down to a repast. There was clear soup, filleted fish, followed by whole sucking pig, en nature (D.F. fed). It was felt that this course was symbolical; it spiritualised and epitomised the whole aim and purpose of the promoters. There reposed the succulent creature on the grand assiette without any of the usual garnishment, just the beautiful soft form, well filled under a delicate pink-white skin. Needless to say no one committed to participate in this delicious and well prepared course. This was followed by salad, fresh and green, but again a note of note was struck by the absence of any salad dressing. The fruit course naturally consisted entirely of apples.

When the guests had finished their meal they cleared the room of every vestige of furniture and disposed themselves on the floor, care having been taken before hand to remove all splinters. The chairman then addressed the undressed gathering. His speech, which was characterised by much thought, relieved by flashes of wit, obviously moved the audience to much searching of heart. In fact much more movement was evident as the speech proceeded. The speaker said he was not going to clothe his speech with fine phrases nor adorn it with the usual rhetorical figures. He would speak plainly and simply and would uncover his thought, without donning his meaning. They must discard the old methods and rid themselves of the prejudices which sheltered and hid the old fashions and customs and replace them with the finer, freer more wholesome and natural customs. The object of the new society was truth, beauty and goodness—naked truth, beauty, undorned, and goodness as expressed in pure primitive forms. At this point the speaker made use of a really brilliant simile. In the game of billiards he said he play with smooth white and red balls. If someone crossed the ball in covering could it possibly run straight. Of course the mere mention of such an idea was sufficient to reveal its stupidity. How then he asked could any man, or woman, for that matter, run straight if they are continually impeded, deflected from their course and hampered mentally and physically by the accoutrements, we call dress. The chairman went on to say they might be intrigued at the name they had chosen for their society but it had a significance. The liberty they had taken with the spelling of the word "nu" was of course obvious; but it was symbolical of their purpose—they were out to defy convention and to strip it of every rag of indecency and that in itself was a demonstration of their independence but there was further the obvious association with the French word "nu" meaning naked and that again showed that they were aligned with the French stage in this matter than the English but there was still further a more subtle meaning in the phrase, for in the north of Japan there was actually a tribe called the Ai Nu which practised sex and had practised from time immemorial the cult they were seeking to establish in this colony. Thus the name embodied these three ideas, newness, nakedness, and naturalness and he

thought that those who had coined the phrase should be congratulated on their subtlety and originality. It was so neat, short, and yet arresting as a title.

Some philosopher he continued had said that man was born free and yet everywhere he was in chains—enclosed in the stifling garb of modern life. He was born naked and hungry and foolishly spent his life in trying to overcome these so called disabilities. If women generally could be induced to forego the luxury of covering themselves with silks, satins, and other fabrics, things which were demonstrably unnecessary as present company proved, then nine tenths of the world's work need not be done and there would be endless days of leisure to disport oneself on the beaches for recreation and meditation and that undiluted joy we associate with Aedra. We must unlock our ministers of state he said, and disrobe our so-called judges if they insist that we must conform to a law we do not approve of. As the law stands at present if we address, we are fined, and there is no redress. We no longer, he said, intend to submit to the straight jacket the corset and the crinoline. We insist upon the law allowing undress uniformity on every occasion. That is our ultimate goal. The address needless to say created quite a sensation being received with loud applause. At this juncture a member asked if he might smoke. It was felt however that as they wished to preserve clear vision on this question, and as smoke might provide a screen and make visibility poor, it was voted by a large majority that smoking should not be permitted. Every thing they felt must be above board and clear as daylight.

A lady member of the audience then got up and spoke. She confessed that she was suffering from cold feet but as there was still something she wanted to get off her chest she felt she must stand up. These witty remarks promptly won for her a sympathetic hearing. She had a suspicion, she said, a very slight one, during the course of the evening that some one was pulling her leg but she came to the conclusion that she had mistaken. She admitted that she had been able to come to the meeting though a married woman, because in addition to her ordinary garments she had hitherto worn the trousers of her menage. Now she intended to discard these garments as well, as she wished to be dissociated from anything that might make her loyalty to the new movement suspect. She rejoiced to hear that the Government had allocated to them a portion of the island called Apli Cho. It merely proved how ready the Government were to support all enlightened movements. True the island was rather barren, bare in fact, but it would be absurd for them to ask the government to clothe the sides with grass. They themselves could plant a few fruit trees. If she might be permitted a little jest, she thought the place was "applied chosen" as it was so reminiscent of Eden and so redolent of the scent of fruit. She also approved of the idea that the section of Apli Cho which was to be their permanent headquarters and which had been so graciously given should, should bear the name "Colony Hatch." The suggestion was a most happy one for it combined the true colonial spirit with a quaint old world flavour. She wished to know however whether the society should encourage ornaments when clothing was discarded. She was surprised that several of those who were present were wearing earrings, and hair jewels. If the object of the society was to create a new spirit by abolishing all outward marks of distinction then she thought they should go the whole hog in this matter and forbid such insidious attacks on the movement. If earrings and such things were permitted, then obviously hair nets, sandals, and other articles would follow and before long the movement would come undone as it were. Those who violated the rules should be thought, receive a good dressing from the president. They must brace themselves up to face the ordeal of public criticism in order that they might achieve the ideal of mens insana in corpore nudato.

When the meeting terminated, the members parted, each one on the back, for it had been a most successful gathering. Before the members departed they partook of hot soup and aspirin and without delay they were able to disperse and go straight to bed. Only one incident has marred what otherwise was a remarkably successful inaugural meeting. We are informed that the cloak room attendants have gone on strike.

WANTED BY CANTON GOVERNMENT.

ON CHARGES OF MURDER AND PIRACY.

RIVER OUTRAGES RECALLED.

The Assistant Attorney General, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, prosecuted in a case yesterday in which the Government of Canton is seeking the extradition of a Chinese named Loung Chung Ting.

Leung is wanted for (a) robbery; (b) attempting to destroy a junk; (c) piracy; (d) murder of a woman; and (e) kidnapping.

Mr. Hin Shing Lo was for the defence.

In explaining the charges against the fugitive, Mr. Lindsell said that the charges concern two separate episodes. The first charge was one of robbery of \$300 on board the Tung Hing passenger boat at a place known as Ang Ko Tsui. "The Tung Hing is owned by the Po On Shipping Company," said Mr. Lindsell, "and runs between Shekhi in the Chung Shan district and Canton itself. During the summer of 1929 certain threatening letters were delivered to a man named Ho Shek who is the accountant of the boat and travels to and fro on that vessel. These threatening letters were disregarded and on the night of the 15th and 16th August, 1929, when this boat was on a voyage from Shekhi to Canton at about 3.30 a.m. at a place called Ang Ko Tsui, which is half way between Canton and Shekhi, a boat came alongside with eight or ten persons on board.

"It is quite a common occurrence in the delta for boats to bring passengers off shore and when the boat passes, small numbers of passengers may be expected to come on board the launch. The launch generally slows down to enable the passengers to climb on.

The First Incident.

"The accountant will tell the Court that as soon as the eight or ten persons came on board, four disclosed themselves as robbers and, producing arms, asked the accountant why the \$3,000 previously demanded had not been paid, compelling him to open the safe and abstracting therefrom \$300. The accountant will say that one of the four men was the fugitive. The fugitive seized him by the front of his jacket, threatened him with a pistol and was the obvious leader of the four robbers. On leaving he said further, 'If you don't pay the \$3,000 you will hear further from us.' That is the gist of the case as far as charge (a) is concerned.

"The remaining four charges are involved in an episode which occurred seven or eight months later. On the night of April 24, 1930, the same boat was on a similar voyage from Shekhi to Canton and at about the same time in the morning, between 3 and 4 a.m., at a place some four or five miles from the point where the four men had boarded her in August, the place being called Pak Fui Tai, the people on board were suddenly alarmed by a tremendous explosion. The boat immediately began to settle by the head, but fortunately the water at that point was not very deep and she was not entirely submerged. The evidence is that as she started to sink, a number of handbills appeared on the creek bank, the creek at that point being a hundred yards wide, and fired a volley at her, without apparently causing any casualties.

Held for Ransom.

A gang of the number of thirty or forty then boarded the vessel by means of small sampans, ransacked the whole ship, took away a number of passengers for ransom and pillaged a great deal of the cargo. The manager of the company was on board as well as the accountant and they both identify the fugitive as the man who was leader of the gang who made this attack.

Mr. Lindsell went on to say that charge (b) was based on the fact that the mine was clearly the work of the gang; the result of which was that the boat, to all intents and purposes, sank. The charge of piracy arose out of exactly the same circumstances, the boarding and the robbing of the junk.

Mr. Lindsell said, with regard to the charge of murder, that he admitted that the evidence appeared rather weak. The woman who lost her life was a passenger who was travelling in the



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woman's compartment in the fore part of the ship. The evidence would show that she was either killed by the explosion or possibly drowned, but in the absence of medical evidence it was impossible to say whether the murder was committed or whether the woman died by natural causes before the piracy took place.

Ample Evidence.

"Whether or not I can establish that charge matters not," said Mr. Lindsell, "as there is ample evidence, if you believe it, of the other crimes alleged. In regard to the final charge of kidnapping, a man named Hon Yun is alleged to have been kidnapped and ransomed and is here to give evidence on behalf of the Crown. These are the instances which the Crown is putting before the Court in asking for this man's extradition on behalf of the Canton Government.

After considerable evidence had been called in support of the opening, the hearing was adjourned.

UGLY SCENES IN PENANG.

MOB ATTACKS CENTRAL POLICE STATION

ONE CHINESE KILLED IN BANGKOK.

SINGAPORE, March 7. The Sino-Japanese dispute was brought to Malaya in an unpleasant form on Saturday when excessive and premature Chinese rejoicing over fictitious victories at Shanghai led to a conflict with the police in Penang. The trouble spread rapidly and a mob attacked the Central Police Station with stones. In the subsequent encounters a number of police and rioters were injured and many arrests made.

A state of the most acute tension still prevails, and, though all is reported quiet this morning, armed police are parading the town and ricksha pullers and mosquito bus drivers are out on strike.

The fictitious victory was celebrated all over Malaya during the week-end but in every other case law and order was preserved. In Bangkok, however, ugly scenes were witnessed, one Chinese being killed in the fighting which took place. Quiet has now been restored there, also.

Amazing scenes were witnessed in Penang on Saturday, stated a special message to the *Straits Times* late the same evening. Following the receipt of rumours of the death of a Japanese general and a big Chinese victory at Shanghai—which later turned out to be baseless—an orgy of cracker firing was indulged in.

In accordance with the regulations a constable in Campbell Street tried to take the names of the offenders, but this action was resented and he was set upon by a crowd of ruffians. With the aid of more police who arrived quickly on the scene a number of arrests were made but the mob effected their release.

The situation soon became serious and shortly after the Central Police Station in Carnarvon Street was subjected to a heavy bombardment of bricks and stones. In the fierce engagement which followed many heads were broken and a number of minor injuries inflicted on the police and volunteer helpers.

Some form of order was eventually restored and a strong cordon of police thrown round the approaches to the Central Station, where about 50 prisoners were detained. In addition the police, armed with carbines, patrolled the town, which was now seething with excitement and as a precaution practically every shop was shuttered.

Among those injured were Detective Inspector Gordon and Inspector Wootsy who were attacked by men armed with knives, and several constables, were also removed to hospital.

On hearing of the disturbances the Hon. Mr. Lim Cheung Ean and a number of other leading Chinese residents rushed to the scene and tried to pacify the mob, telling them to go home.

A telephone message received at midnight on Saturday stated that eleven people were in hospital suffering from injuries received during the rioting, and that at 9.30 in the evening a trolley bus was attacked by the mob, the windows broken and the conductor assaulted.

Business at a Standstill.

Penang, March 6.—All the shops in Penang and the suburbs were shuttered to-day, and some were closed completely. Business was almost at a standstill. Very few motor-cars were out. The wildest and quite foundationless rumours continue to circulate, but there are no signs of further trouble.

The *Straits Times* correspondent toured the Campbell Street area this afternoon. The streets had a deserted appearance except for little knots of people congregating around the latest vernacular bulletins and around shops displaying pictures of generals and war scenes, which in many cases had been left outside although the shops were closed.

Chinese people did not seem to know what the trouble was about, and excitement was more in evidence than anger.

When the trouble broke out, the majority of the European police inspectors were playing cricket. They instantly dropped bats or batons, and the prompt measures taken under the personal supervision of the Chief Police Officer, Mr. A. J. Sheedy, and Chief Detective Inspector Fowler undoubtedly prevented a rapid spread of disorder. The incident serves to indicate how thin the nerves of the neurotic Chinese population have worn during the last few weeks. There is

much favourable comment on the action of Mr. Lim Cheung Ean, Mr. Khoo Sian Ewe and other prominent Chinese residents who voluntarily went to the scene and reasoned with the mob at the risk of diverting the mob's anger to themselves.

After patrolling the streets in threes and fives all night, armed police were not in evidence to-day. Everything was quiet, though the atmosphere was unsettled. All rickshas and mosquito-buses were on strike. Most of the markets were closed.

One inspector, four constables and five Chinese are officially notified to have been injured, but it is obvious that many injuries have not been notified. Everything began when a constable attempted to arrest an obstructionist who disregarded the order to cease firing crackers. Roughly armed themselves with knives from pork shops and walls, and the situation looked ugly until lorry loads of Sikh police arrived in response to telephone calls. The mob, however, contented itself with throwing stones, and when the police made a baton charge while armed police stood by the mob was soon on the defensive. Three fire brigade engines finished the work.

Crowds were again assembling this evening, but the police were very unprovocative. A trolley bus conductor was admitted to hospital. An attempt was made this morning to stop trams and buses by obstructions, which, however, were moved by the police.

All Quiet this Morning.

Penang, March 7.—The ricksha pullers and mosquito bus drivers are still on strike but a few loads of vegetables and fish have arrived and the markets are fairly well stocked. Armed patrols paraded the town all night long. The Volunteer Force was not used on Saturday night and only a number of medical volunteers who happened to be in the neighbourhood at the time took part. All is quiet this morning.

One Japanese has been admitted to hospital as the result of an attack by a mob of schoolboys who fled on the arrival of the police. Two Malays are also reported to have been injured by hooligans last night.

Police Court Hearing.

Penang, Later.—The police court was guarded by armed Sikhs this morning at the hearing of the charges against 16 Chinese arising from Saturday's trouble. The case was postponed until March 21, bail being granted in \$100 each. One lowkey stood bail for the lot.

No Disturbance in Singapore.

Apart from cracker firing in Singapore on Friday there has been no local disturbance. All precautions against any outbreak have been taken by the authorities and special police patrols are parading the streets. A number of Chinese were prosecuted for firing crackers and were fined.

Seremban Rejoices.

Seremban, March 6.—On receipt of news that Kuala Lumpur Chinese and others elsewhere celebrated the alleged big Chinese victory at Shanghai, the local residents joined in the rejoicings last night, when cracker firing started in Birch Road shortly after 7 o'clock and much excitement prevailed. Cracker firing then followed at other streets of the town, notably Carey Street and Singapore Street. So far there has been a complete absence of any disturbance, although large crowds gathered to witness the cracker firing and traffic was somewhat congested at times along Birch Road.

Serious Trouble in Bangkok.

Bangkok, March 7.—On Saturday rumours of a big Chinese success led to considerable cracker firing. This was stopped by the police but in the evening a mob of 3,000 assembled in front of a Japanese chemist's shop and began firing crackers and other explosives and shouting wildly.

The police reserves were called out and the demonstration suppressed with some difficulty, the mob scattering when the fire hoses were turned on them.

Some fighting took place and one Chinese was killed and many people injured, including several police.

Quiet has now been restored and extra police are on duty while guards have been put on Japanese houses. Numerous arrests have been made.

WILD RUMOURS IN SWATOW.

ANOTHER BIG EXODUS TO HONG KONG.

JAPANESE "DEMANDS."

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Swatow, March 8.

Chinese residents here were very much alarmed and upset yesterday through wild rumours to the effect that Swatow will soon be the scene of hostilities. Consequently the a.s. Haiching and a.s. Kaying took down to Hong Kong yesterday a big human freight. Persistent rumours were current that the Japanese Consul has presented the following demands to the local government:—

1. Withdrawal of Chinese troops to 30 m from Swatow.
2. The Chinese Government to pay \$800,000 compensation to the Japanese who were attacked recently by mobs.
3. The abolition of the Municipal Office.

However, on making enquiries, the writer learned that the reports were groundless. During the day several hundred enquiries were made over the phone as to the real conditions and every time the same answer was given.

It is authoritatively stated that all the false reports on the political situation emanate from communists or bandits, who are anxious to create a panic, which would cause an exodus and refugees returning inland, could be robbed on the way.

National Defence Meeting.

Yesterday the Mayor attended a meeting in the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Matters concerning national defence were discussed as subscriptions have been asked and collected to purchase aeroplanes for Swatow. The Mayor took the opportunity to contradict and condemn all the rumours prevailing and asked the people not to credit false reports. He emphasized that at present there were no fresh "impositions" by the Japanese Consul.

Street lectures have been given at night by uniformed officers, forbidding the irresponsibles from personal attacks against the Japanese. They added that such a display of resentment reflected discredit on the Chinese Government and only raised international complications.

The various labour unions have also been ordered by the police not to create anti-Japanese disturbances in the city. The police have threatened to dissolve the unions should an incident occur and to deal severely with the "patriotic" malcontents.

General Lee, Yong Klang.

A huge reception was held yesterday in the Kwong Tien Theatre in honour of General Lee who had come down from Chaochow. The theatre was appropriately decorated for the occasion, and representatives of all associations and unions were present to share in the great welcome.

A long and impressive speech was made by General Lee who touched on the political situation and said he was prepared and willing to resist Japanese aggression to the bitter end. To achieve this end the people must unite. While to-day China was fighting the Japanese Government and Japanese militarism, Japanese laymen were not its enemies, and therefore he condemned personal attacks on Japanese on Chinese soil.

He continued that China was lacking in shipping facilities for the transportation of her troops; hence the importance of railways. By united efforts more railways should be built, so that Chinese could cope with the "enemy" invasion.

In another part of his speech he dealt with communism and banditry. China had been and was still doing everything possible to suppress these movements and before long she would be free of this plague.

ST. JOS. COLLEGE PRIZE DAY.

FINE RECORD OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS.

REV. BRO. JAMES, O.B.E., DISTRIBUTES AWARDS.

The Annual Distribution of Prizes at St. Joseph's College took place yesterday at 11 a.m. Rev. Brother James, O.B.E., Visitor of the Christian Brothers of the Far East Presiding.

Director's Report.

After the singing of the College rally, "Our Alma Mater's Call," Rev. Brother Matthias, Director of the College, read the following address:—

Rev. Bro. Visitor:—We are very grateful to you for honouring us with your presence here to-day, and for having kindly consented to give away the prizes to the most deserving pupils of the College.

The scholastic year ending December 1931 was perhaps the most memorable in the long and successful record of St. Joseph's College. The Rev. Bro. Aimar, who for so many years guided the destinies of the College and maintained it in a high state of efficiency, was, to our deep regret, obliged to give up the reins of administration, having been appointed Director of our newly established College at Kowloon. He will for all time be gratefully remembered at St. Joseph's and he carries with him our best wishes for the fullest measure of success and prosperity in his new field of labour.

Before referring to the general work of the year, I should like to emphasize the fact that the real purpose of an educational establishment like St. Joseph's is to teach *How To Live* rather than *How To Earn A Living*. Our education: rational in Hong Kong covers a period of nearly seventy years and is well known in all circles. Our pupils are found in every walk of life and occupy positions of honour and trust. Loyalty to, and respect for, lawfully constituted authority, inculcated during their formative years, are characteristic notes in their life work.

King's Precise for Christian Brothers.

His Majesty the King Emperor, through the good offices of the Malayan Government, has given public recognition to the meritorious work done and the honoured place held by the Brothers and their schools in the British Colonies of the Far East. The Government of this Colony has given its constant encouragement by its generous support, thus enabling us to extend our sphere of usefulness by the establishment of La Salle College, Kowloon.

The great aim and object of the Christian Brothers is to uphold and maintain those high ideals and principles of religion and morality which are the foundation of all true education.

As regards results, the Secondary Department has maintained its time-honoured reputation. Out of seven Honours in the whole Colony in the Matriculation Examination five were credited to St. Joseph's. The Sir Paul Chater Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Ho Shui Lai. The Junior results were, as in previous years, only fair, forty candidates having passed, including 28 Distinctions.

Painstaking Teachers.

Mr. A. O. Brawn, Inspector of English Schools, spent three days in-examining all the classes of the College and expressed his satisfaction with the general work. He reported the Upper and Remove as "very satisfactory." "It gave evidence of very painstaking teaching."

I wish to express the indebtedness of the College to the generosity of Mr. Woo Hay Tong, to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, to the Hong Kong Benevolent Society, and to the other worthy scholarship and prize donors.

Rev. Bro. James, O.B.E.

Immediately after, the Rev. Brother James, O.B.E., addressed the assembly as follows:—

Rev. Bro. Director:—It gives me immense pleasure indeed to assist at your Annual Prize-Giving to-day. I heartily congratulate your good self and your devoted colleagues on your fine educational work which is so much appreciated by the Government, the parents of the pupils and all friends and well-wishers of the College. Your very kind and appropriate reference to the long and eventful administration of the Rev. Bro. Aimar must be very gratifying to all interested in the College, for it is to his wonderful

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A BRIDE FROM AUSTRALIA.

MR. DONALD FORBES MARRIED.

PRETTY WEDDING AT PEAK CHURCH.

The Peak Church was yesterday afternoon the scene of a quiet but extremely pretty wedding, when Miss Gweneth Charters Tait, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tait, of Melbourne, Australia, became the bride of Mr. Donald Forbes, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Forbes, of Arbroath, Scotland.

The groom is a very popular member of the staff of the Bank Line and is one of the Colony's most prominent golfers.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. Charles C. Nelson, looked very charming in a dress of apple green crepe romaine, trimmed with stone martin fur, and a velvet cloche hat of two shades of apple green to match. Her corsage was of shaded pink carnations.

The bride's mother was dressed in a wine-coloured crepe-georgette frock trimmed with Chantilly lace, with a wine-coloured hat to match. Her bouquet was of shaded sweet peas.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Capt. Bandred officiating as "best man," while Mrs. Sverre Berg was Matron of Honour.

Only a few intimate friends were present at the Church, the ceremony being kept as quiet as possible.

After the wedding a reception was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sverre Berg, Stubb's Road, where the health of the happy pair was drunk with musical honours. Mr. Forbes, in a brief acknowledgment, thanked everyone for their kind wishes and for their presence at the Church and the reception. The bride then proposed the health of Mr. and Mrs. Berg, and thanked them for their kindness in placing their house at the disposal of the wedding party; this too was accorded musical honours.

Mrs. Forbes then presided at the ceremonial cutting of the wedding cake.

Among the guests present at the Church and later at the reception were the following: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Goggin, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Nelson, Miss Crawford, Mr. R. Young, Mrs. Sherry, Commander and Mrs. Boelckers, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. Langley, Captain Frame, Mr. Hoo Fook Ping, Mr. and Mrs. Penn, Mr. Sewell, Dr. Selly, Mr. Collis.

The honeymoon is being spent at Fanning, after which Mr. and Mrs. Forbes will reside in Kowloon.

delightful tact and ability and untiring zeal that St. Joseph's is mainly indebted for the proud position it holds among the leading scholastic institutions of this Colony.

St. Joseph's College—it is a fact of experience—has established a world-wide reputation as a popular seat of learning and moral culture. In common with the other Christian Brothers' Schools in the Far East the Old Boys of St. Joseph's are proverbially noted for their good manners, their unswerving loyalty to the Government, their inseparable attachment to their Alma Mater and their persistent fidelity to duty in after life.

I take this opportunity of appealing to you, the present pupils, ever to live and act up to the motto, "Labore et Virtute" proposed for your guidance in your youthful years. It is only when you will have attained the age of manhood and faced and experienced the struggles of life that you will fully realize and appreciate the true value of the sound education you are now receiving from the Christian Brothers.

I offer my best congratulations to the prize-winners and wish them continued success. Those who have not been so fortunate should not be discouraged. Let them rather console themselves with the thought that they too have worked diligently. Let all bear in mind the College motto "Labore et Virtute." Yes, Sons of St. Joseph's College, by labour and virtue you will make your path through life bright, happy and prosperous and ultimately win the Heavenly Prize.

Distribution of Prizes.

At the conclusion of his speech he distributed the prizes having a word of encouragement for each winner. The function was closed by the announcement of a half day, enthusiastic cheers for Brother James, and the singing of "God save the King."



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That the General Managers have (with the like sanction of the Consulting Committee) determined to employ the sum of \$400,000 part of the Reserve Fund of the Company in paying a Special Dividend of \$50 per share on the shares of the Company held by the Shareholders and that such Special Dividend shall be payable on the 30th day of March 1932.

Warrants for the Special Dividend can be obtained on application to the General Managers at the Offices of the Company.

Should any shareholder fail to pay the amount of the said Call on the 30th day of March 1932 the General Managers will on the 31st day of March 1932 apply the amount of the above mentioned Special Dividend due to him in payment and satisfaction of the said Call.

After payment or satisfaction of the said Call in the manner above indicated a Memorandum showing the extent to which the shares are then paid up will be endorsed on all Certificates of Shares presented to the General Managers at the Offices of the Company.

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THE ONE HUNDRED and TWELFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, 1, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1932, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY the 1st MARCH, 1932, to TUESDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
G. E. ELLAMS,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th February, 1932.
[1930]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon on SATURDAY the 2nd day of APRIL 1932 for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing an Extraordinary Resolution the following Resolutions.

1. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—
(a) by the deletion of Article 84 and by the substitution of the following Article to be known as Article 84 in its place.
(84) Each Director other than the ex-officio Director shall be paid out of the funds of the Company as remuneration for his services the sum of \$2,000.00 per annum and such remuneration shall be deemed to accrue due in equal parts and be payable by half yearly instalments.
- (b) By the insertion of the figure \$10,000.00 in the place of the figure \$100,000.00 in the fifth line of Article 105.
2. That the foregoing resolution shall be retrospective and shall take effect from the 1st day of January 1932.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the above named Company will be held at the same time and place on MONDAY the 18th day of APRIL 1932 for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above mentioned meeting and of confirming if thought fit the Special Resolutions the above mentioned Resolutions.

Dated this 15th day of March 1932.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

[1935]

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Newhouse.—On March 14, at Victoria Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. NEWHOUSE, a daughter. [1931]

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. W. F. FINCHER and family, and the relatives of the late Mrs. Fincher, tender their heartfelt thanks to their many friends for the kind letters of condolence received in their recent bereavement, for the beautiful floral tributes, and for their attendance at the funeral. [1932]

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GERMANY'S PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

THE fact that Field Marshal von HINDENBURG has not been re-elected President of the German Republic at the first poll probably came as a considerable surprise to foreign countries, where it has always been taken for granted that the veteran soldier-statesman is regarded as the idol of the Fatherland. To the German people, and to close students of the political situation in Germany the surprise has been that Herr HITLER did not secure a far greater number of votes, fifty per cent., being mentioned as a likely proportion. Under the German constitution a candidate for the presidency must obtain a clear majority over all rivals, if he is to be elected at the first poll. Otherwise a second ballot is taken between the two statesmen who obtained the most support. The straight fight between Field Marshal von HINDENBURG and Herr HITLER that will now follow means, on yesterday's showing, a certain victory for the former. The DUESSELDORF supporters will, in the absence of their own champion, be solid for HINDENBURG, but THALMANN'S Communists will be in a sad dilemma. Between Nazis and Communists the struggle is deep and bitter. Members of the two parties come to blows on meeting, and three Communists at Remscheid appear to have laid down their lives for the cause. On the other hand, HINDENBURG stands for bourgeois Germany, for things as they are, for the present social and political system, for a slow driving through the present distress and for a disavowal of violent remedies of any kind. The Nazis and Com-

munist have at least a common hatredness and a desire to squash something! Whatever the party orders may be no doubt a majority of Communists will vote against HINDENBURG. An election, like a battle, contains an inevitable element of uncertainty, but humanly speaking, the Field Marshal has won, and won easily. With the DUESSELDORF vote, he should secure a ballot of 20 millions, against a possible 15 millions for HITLER.

The women of Germany seem to have voted overwhelmingly for Marshal von HINDENBURG, showing as in England that they have to be considered a standing influence in politics, averse from violent changes at home or undue adventure in foreign affairs. Women have less faith than men in political promises. They know that improvements are unlikely if a Government takes charge, but that reckless men have an infinite power of mischief.

In German political circles it would appear, however, that Herr HITLER is regarded far more as a future Chancellor than as an occupant of the formal and ceremonial role of President. He is said to be moderating his views, and prepared to sink the demagogue in the responsible statesman. Such change is needed at this time when Germany is faced with danger of a second bankruptcy and political revolution. "The outside world," says one eminent but pessimistic authority, "is more and more getting accustomed to the idea that the financial collapse of Germany is imminent, and that the country is on the verge of bankruptcy. They fail to see that the collapse when it comes will be more catastrophic than this, involving the complete ruin of the capitalist system." It is well as such a time that the German people have rallied round the man who stands for caution, integrity and the qualities that have made Germany great and will carry her through the storms of to-day.

HONG KONG STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

A very dull opening, and rates inclined to sag.

Sales.
Constructions (New) \$1.80.
Buyers.
Wharves \$1441.
Providents (New) \$21.
Realities \$9.
Chinese Estates \$35.
Canton Leas \$5.
Cements (New) \$5.
Dairy Farms \$22.
Amusements \$20.
Constructions (Old) \$51.
Constructions (New) \$1.80.
Government Loans 4 per cent. premium.
Sellers.
Bank of East Asia \$123.
Docks \$29.
Yamatari Ferries \$30.
Malacca Sugars \$22.
Sinceres \$10.

AFTERNOON SESSION.
Conditions were stagnant throughout the day, and no official business was reported.

Buyers.
Hong Kong Realities \$01.

★ News and Views ★

Tale of the Day.

A teacher called for brief essays on "The funniest thing I ever saw." One boy got through several minutes before the others, and the teacher asked to see his effort. On his paper was written, "The funniest thing I ever saw was too funny for words."

An Open Field.

Why sulk and worry over your lot? Why weakly sign and fret? Cheer up! The more you haven't got The more there is to get.

Out in the Cold With £500.

A 50-year-old tramp found overcome with the cold, and taken to Winchester Institution, had in his possession—£500 worth of National Savings Certificates. Receipt for a Savings Bank book in which his account stood at several hundred pounds; Thirty shillings in notes. The Relieving Officer, reporting these facts to his committee said the man did not seem to realise the value of his possessions.

Shots at Referee.

Angered by what he thought was an unjust decision, a spectator at a Rugby match at St. Nazaire, near Perpignan, drew a revolver and fired two shots at the referee. One bullet cut a hole in another spectator's hat, but the referee was unhurt. The man with the revolver vanished in the crowd.

Welkins.

"'Twas a lovely tale," said Mabel. "But I don't understand one thing—'What does it mean, I wonder. 'When they make the welkin ring'?"

"Don't you know that, you silly? Her brother Wilfred said: 'Why the welkin is rung at sunset 'For the burghers to go to bed.'"

"Wilfred, you're wrong," said David. And curled contemptuous lips; "The welkin stands off the Goodwins." "And they ring it to warn the ships."

"Now what's all this?" asked Peter (Who just then drifted in); "The welkin's a sort of shell-fish. And you 'ring' it with a pin." "Don't tease the kid," boomed Father.

In his most sepulchral tones; "The Welkin's a hill in Shropshire, 'And the ring is a ring of stones.'"

"'Twas a lovely tale," sighed Mabel; "I shall read it soon again; 'But I wanted to know 'bout Welkins—' 'And there's nobody who'll explain.'"

Astronomy

Study of the star. Of no practical value; but a useful outlet for scientists, etc., who would otherwise be on the dole. The stars are counted weekly, and are found to be slowly on the increase; this proves that the universe is expanding. The following, in order of magnitude, are the principal stars so far noticed:

	Mean diameter at Greenwich.
Sun	2 11
Moon	2 9
Sirius	2 2
Jupiter	1 0
Ursa (Major)	1 5
Ursa (Lé-Colonel)	1 2
Venus	0 10

Comets

Move faster than the stars and are uninhabited. Halley's started life as a sunspot in B.C. 211 it appears at regular intervals every five years or so. This is called occultation. Some of the stars are so far away that the light from them has not yet arrived here. This was proved by Professor Piccard. Ascending in a captive balloon to a distance of some 110 miles, he discovered incoming light-waves in the upper reaches of the atmosphere. Double stars: see Gemini. Triple stars: see Copeage. Multiple stars: see Hollywood.

Wonderful.

The bridegroom was in a poetic frenzy as he strolled along the sea-shore. "Roll on, thou deep and dark blue ocean, roll," he recited to his bride. "Oh, Gerald," she exclaimed, "how wonderful you are! It's doing it."

Duly.

"If all the folks in the United States would do the few simple things they know they ought to do, most of our big problems would take care of themselves."

Road to Hell Paved With Gold?

The Bill for the Expansion of Currency was passed in Washington. In the House of Representatives, Mr. Alan Goldborough (Maryland), discussing the amount of French gold retained in United States, said: "Let France take her money and get to Hell out of it."

Lady Simon Visits Sir John Officially.

Lady Simon, wife of Sir John Simon, had the unusual experience of going on an official mission to her husband recently.

She was among the prominent members of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society's deputation to the Foreign Office. They discussed with Sir John the whole question of the treatment of native races. Lady Simon is well known for her campaign against the remnants of slavery.

Dutch Tugs for Battleship.

The obsolete British battleship Emperor of India left Portsmouth for breaking-up at Rosyth in tow of two Dutch tugs.

Why—the question was asked freely in shipping circles—should British ships be taken to the scrap-heap by foreigners?

The answer offered is this: Dutch tug-owners specialise in deep-sea towing, whereas English firms concentrate on harbour work; so that the employment of Dutchmen means a lower rate of insurance in consequence of their greater experience.

Good Gnu.

The tourist was making his first trek through the African game country and had dropped in at dinner time at the camp of a famous hunter. An excellent steak was set before the tired traveler, who smacked his lips over its goodness.

"Is this a gnu steak?" he asked his host of the verdant veldt. "No," replied the mighty hunter, but it's just as good as gnu."

Making Football Safe for Americans

Six drastic changes in the rules governing American football are to be made owing to the fact that 21 players died during the past season as a direct result of injuries received on the field. The changes are designed to make the game safer.

Conversation in the Street.

Policeman: Where are you going? Motorist: Well, I want to get to Victoria Station.

Policeman: Too many of you seem to be going that way to-day. You'd better go to Waterloo. Motorist: But I don't want to go to Waterloo. I'm meeting a train at Victoria.

Policeman: What's that got to do with me? But I'll tell you what we'll do. I'll make it King's Cross. Now, let me just check your passport, please.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The Hong Kong dollar was yesterday quoted at 1s. 4d. on demand.

The Queen's College annual athletic sports will take place on the School Ground, Causeway Bay, on Saturday, commencing at noon.

The marathon race arranged by the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club for yesterday afternoon was postponed on account of the inclement weather.

An extraordinary meeting of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, April 2.

Mr. A. C. Ellis, who was playing golf at the Flappy Valley course on Sunday, lost his ball under somewhat unusual circumstances. A large kitchen hawk swooped down and carried it away!

The Bishop of Victoria confirmed 21 candidates at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon on Sunday. Five of these were military men who were presented by the Rev. Scott Little.

Mr. E. C. Pearce, a member of the Hong Kong prison staff, who was reported missing from the Government Civil Hospital, of which he was an inmate, has returned to the Colony. He went for a trip to Canton.

Mr. A. Ireland of the Hong Kong Telephone Company has made a telephone booth for the effect that someone broke open the telephone booth at the Upper Peak tram station and stole the cash box containing \$4.

The Colony had a clean bill of health over the week-end.

Among the passengers who left by the P. & O. s.s. Carthage on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. N. Currie, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Key, Mr. and Mrs. D. McNeillie, Mr. C. Meeock and Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Smith.

When the master and mistress of two passenger boats were brought before the Marine Magistrate yesterday, it was stated that despite the fact that the s.s. Iyegeman was flying the "S" flag over her code pennant, they approached to within 30 yards of the vessel. The defendants were each fined \$25 or three weeks' imprisonment.

Mok Kwai-mui, master and owner of a cargo junk, has reported to the police that whilst his vessel was anchored in Chinese waters on Friday night on account of the thick fog, pirates attacked the craft, one of the foks being wounded in the head by a bullet. The pirates stole two anchors valued at \$75 and two jackets and then went away on their own boat.

Charged with picking the pocket of a passenger on board one of the Yamanai ferry launches, a Chinese was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour by the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday. It was stated that an inspector of the launch saw the defendant, and became suspicious. He (the inspector) then pointed out the man to a police constable who, after searching him and finding a child's bangle and a dollar on his person, arrested the man.

from the files.

Looking Back 25 Years.

Mr. A. Seth and Mr. P. Alves have been appointed valuers for the present year.

H.M. double screw vessel Swift, Commander Collins, left here on Saturday for Manila.

The Spanish government are augmenting their fleet in the Philippines. Two more cruisers, the Gravina and the Velasco, left for Manila in January last, and may shortly be looked for in the Philippines.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 16, 1932.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, who has just returned from holiday, will in a day or two take his seat as Magistrate in the Second Court.

The Duke and Duchess of Manchester, who have been the guests of the Governor at Government House during their stay in the Colony, left yesterday in the yacht Margarita for Manila.

The Inspection of Volunteers by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding takes place on Saturday at the Headquarters.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, March 16, 1907.

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DIVIDEND AND 'EXCHANGE' BONUS.

We are officially informed that the General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend, at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders to be held on the 30th instant, the payment on account of the year 1930 of a dividend of \$50 together with an "exchange" Bonus of 85 per share absorbing \$440,000; to pass the balance of \$175,420.34 to the credit of Reinsurance Fund and to carry forward \$324,295.67 in respect of the year 1931.

They again wish it to be understood, however, that the continuance or otherwise of the Bonus, in the whole or in part, will depend entirely on exchange and it should not be viewed in any other light than that of a temporary measure.

EGYPT TO RUN A SWEEPSTAKE?

IRISH "EXPERTS" INVITED TO GIVE ADVICE.

Cairo, March 3.—It is understood to-day that two Irish "experts" will be invited to visit Egypt in order to advise the Government regarding the organisation of a sweepstake.

If the sweep is organised, the funds resulting will be used for the building of a new Government hospital, for which at present there is no money.

LEAGUE ENQUIRY COMMISSION

RECEIVES WARM WELCOME AT SHANGHAI

CHINESE PRESS OFFERS ADVICE

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

SHANGHAI, March 14. The Manchurian Commission of Enquiry, headed by Lord Lytton, arrived this evening from Japan aboard the President Adams.

SHANGHAI, March 14. With a brass band playing and an army of photographers taking a flashlight picture, the Lord Lytton Commission disembarked at the Dollar Wharf, Pootung, where a large detachment of Chinese Police were on guard.

Among the welcome were Dr. Wellington Koo, Wu Teh Chen, Quo Tai Chi and a few Japanese officials.

The Commissioners went by launch to the Customs Jetty on the Bund where a big crowd had assembled including a number of

students carrying banners with felicitous inscriptions. Lord Lytton, when interviewed by Reuters, declared that if their assistance was solicited in the matter of arranging an armistice and a subsequent round-table conference the Commissioners would gladly extend their co-operation.

A crowded programme has been arranged for the Commissioners, who, it is expected, will leave for Nanking on March 19, although nothing definite has hitherto been arranged.

Chinese papers are devoting columns of space to welcome the Commissioners who are urged to carry out their duties strictly in the position of an unbiased third party.

UNREST IN MANCHULI

REIGN OF TERROR AT TAIHEIHO

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TOKYO, March 14.

The establishment of a reign of terror by rebel troops at Taiheih (Sachalin) has apparently been taken as an example in other parts of Manchuria and Inner Mongolia, and the situation is regarded with the gravest apprehension.

The Japanese military authorities have good reason to believe that the rebels in different parts of the country are definitely connected, but measures are to be taken to suppress the outbreaks.

One of the most serious developments has been an outbreak at Manchuli, near the Soviet border, where the guards of the Chinese Eastern Railway have murdered their commander and are looting the town.

Troops Despatched.

Information from Taiheih reveals that several civilians have been brutally slain by the rebels, who have looted all shops and warehouses, as well as the banks.

The Japanese Command at Harbin is despatching the Fourth Regiment to Pinchow to restore order.

The station of Metaitze, which is only eight miles to the west of Harbin, on the Chinese Eastern Railway, was raided yesterday by a detachment of General Ting Chao's troops.

They held up the place and re-treated after robbing the railway of cash amounting to about \$3,000.

Immediate changes of an important nature are expected among the Chinese members of the Board of the Chinese Eastern Railway and it is thought that this will probably result in an anti-Soviet policy.

Meanwhile, there came alarming reports of serious disorders in Inner Mongolia, the domain of Prince Chai, who is at present in Changchun attending the celebrations in connection with the inauguration of the Manchuria State and the installation of Hsuan Tung.

Mongolia Rising.

Prince Chai is expected to leave for home to-day to attempt to quell the rising.

His chief lieutenant has reported that about five hundred bandits have seized and occupied the walled town of Erlutun, which they have looted.

Similar lawless bands have raided two other towns in the district to the west of Taonan.

JAPANESE TROOPS AT SHANGHAI

ELEVENTH DIVISION TO BE WITHDRAWN

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TOKYO, March 14.

The Vice-Chief of the General Staff had an audience of the Emperor this morning when it is believed he sought Imperial sanction for the withdrawal of the Kanazawa Division and the Kurume Mixed Brigade from Shanghai. A statement was issued this afternoon announcing orders for their withdrawal. The War Office categorically denies rumours of reinforcements being sent to Formosa.

LATER.

Contrary to expectation the Eleventh Zentsu Division and not the Ninth Kanazawa Division will be withdrawn.

It is understood that both the Zentsu Division and the Kurume Mixed Brigade went to Shanghai on a peace footing, whereas both the Kanazawa and Sunomiyu Divisions were partly mobilised.

SENSATIONAL PLOT UNEARTHED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, March 14.

Eleven alleged Chinese plotters against the Government were arraigned in Court to-day where evidence was revealed of a conspiracy to seize control of the Public Safety Bureau, other Municipal offices and to re-organise the army with merchant volunteers as a nucleus for the purpose of resisting Japan.

Hatred of Chiang Kai Shek and a desire to overthrow the Government are believed to be at the bottom of the plot. Considerable sums of money had already changed hands and more was to have been paid within twenty-four hours of the completion of the coup which the police nipped in the bud. The programme provided rifles, machine guns and grenades for shock squads, who were ordered to break up impediments. The newly fledged army was to massacre in police garb in order to mislead the Japanese and then to fight them.

Hu Han Min is alleged to be implicated in the plot, while others mention General Chow Feng Chie, who won notoriety six years ago in the Kiangsi-Chiangang war subsequent to the desertion of Sun Chuan Fang.

The men were remanded.

WILD RUMOURS AT TSINGTAO

SHANGHAI, March 14. A message from Tsingtao states that all outgoing trains are crowded owing to wild reports that the Japanese intend to land troops there.

The Chinese authorities are doing their utmost to reassure the populace.

LEAGUE'S ACTIONS CRITICISED

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, March 14.

It is safe to say that no instance of attack has been justified by more flimsy pretexts than the Japanese assault in Manchuria and Shanghai, declares the *Manchester Guardian*, which adds that if the League could do nothing to either end hostilities or prevent spoliation of the victim, then the sooner it was wound up the better, but we are saved therefrom by the Chinese invocation of the League Assembly over the head of the Council which gave smaller nations an opportunity of vindicating the principles of the covenant which has been most strangely betrayed by the Council's meandering politeness. One may have every confidence that the new committee will act more vigorously than the Council has ever done.

AMERICA AND THE FAR EAST

SUPPORTING LEAGUE POLICY

LONDON, Mar. 13.

Sir John Simon, in an interview with Reuters on his return to London, stated that he hoped the resolution passed by the League Assembly on Friday would ultimately lead to a settlement of the crisis in the Far East.

He expressed gratification that Mr. H. L. Stimson, the U.S. Secretary of State, had communicated with the Secretary-General of the League indicating that the United States approved and would support the League's policy.

THE GRAND NATIONAL

IRISH SWEEPSTAKE DETAILS

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, March 14.

Fortune seekers hopes are focused on Dublin, where the great three-day draw on the Irish Sweepstake will be held. A total of £2,239,000 is available for distribution, divided into twenty-two units of £100,000 each in which the first second and third prizes are £20,000, £15,000 and £10,000, respectively. Forty-eight unplaced horses get £25 each. There are also a hundred cash prizes of £100 each. There will also be ten residual cash prizes of £4,000 each.

The total subscriptions was £2,385,000 of which the Irish hospitals will receive £841,000 only. Horses are being drawn to-day.

A Lucky Malayan.

Quite calm, ticket No. EQ 50742 has been drawn by Tun Ku Pok, Anak Bukit, Alorstar, Malaya.

PROBABLES

The Grand National probabilities and jockeys are as follows:

HORSE	JOCKEY
Gregalach	Thackray
Shaungolin	Williams
Grake	Fawcett
Coup de Chapeau	G. Wilson
Inverness	Lyall
Heartbreak Hill	O'Grady
Vinole	Morgan
Sea Soldier	L. Wilson
Apotasy	Parvin
Holmes	Reedman
Therms	Owen
Alke	Escoffier
Amundale	Stott
Near East	T. McCarthy
Merriment IV	Lord Haddington
Glengarra	Turner
Ottawa	Leader
Hank	McKeever
Possible	Gullinan
Egmont	Paget
Arundel	McGann
Aspirant	Sir P. Lawson
Gibus	Redmond
Pelorus Jack	Funnahave
The Ace II	Maxwell
Tamasha	Elliot
Quite Calm	Jurney
Red Lynch	Speck
Dusty Foot	Speck
Forbra	Hamey
K.O.B.	Mason
De la Rue	Kidney
Harewood	Warden
Tootenhill	E. McCarthy
Great Span	Hardy
Princes Cherry	Leaso
Ruddyman	Brown
Evolution	(no jockey)

WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong at 5.16 p.m. yesterday state:—

The anti-cyclone remains central to the north of the Lower Yangtze Valley.

Local forecast:—N. to N.E. winds, strong, overcast at first, finer later.

TARDIEU'S PLAN FOR C. EUROPE

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Mar. 13.

A wide measure of Anglo-French co-operation in the matter of the economic situation in Central and Danubian Europe, with the two fold object of appeasing political rivalries and expediting the economic reconstruction of Europe, was agreed between Sir John Simon and M. Tardieu after a conversation at the Quai d'Orsay yesterday.

An agreed statement was subsequently issued.

M. Tardieu's proposals are understood to include suggestions that the Governments of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Rumania, and Yugoslavia consult among themselves with a view to introducing preferential measures for the mutual benefit of their commerce and industry.

M. Tardieu suggests that in the event of an agreement between these States, the Powers should assist in the practical application of the formula adopted.

"MATCH KING'S" SUICIDE

SHOCK TO WORLD OF FINANCE

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Mar. 13.

The suicide in Paris of Mr. Ivar Kreuger, the Swedish multi-millionaire "Match King" is a matter of vital concern to financial markets all over the world.

Stockholm is, however, maintaining a stoical calm. The banks and the commercial houses will all be opened to-morrow (Monday) though the Stock Exchange will be closed down and Parliament is meeting at midnight to grant the moratorium recommended by the Premier in order to prevent a panic from developing.

It is impossible yet to foresee the financial reaction in France.

U.S. and Germany.

Kreuger shares have been freely taken up in the French market and a further batch of over thirty thousand franc debentures were to have been offered to-morrow.

It is expected that the United States and Germany will feel the financial shock more than other countries.

Kreuger's anxiety regarding the result of the German election was revealed in private conversations with banks in New York according to the *Herald-Tribune*. The journal says that he had made up his mind that Hitler was going to win, which he considered to mean a prolongation of the Central European crisis.

British Statement.

The British Match Corporation, holding the ordinary share capital of Messrs. Bryant and May, is not affected by the Kreuger financial operations despite the fact that the Swedish millionaire was a director, according to Sir Arthur Stanley, chairman of the Corporation board.

LATER. Both the Upper and Lower Chambers have passed the Kreuger Moratorium measure.

"Times" Comment.

LONDON, March 14. The gravity of the possible sequel is stressed in all the morning papers, of which the *Times*, in a leading article, expresses the opinion that Mr. Kreuger's suicide will prove a further shock to confidence, which already unavowed and unsettled financial centres would pray to have been spared.

The financial pages express concern at the possible international stock market reaction, but the opinion is expressed that the recent revival of confidence may lessen the consequences.

Heavy Life Insurance.

It is reported in Stockholm that Kreuger insured his life in 1925 for from £300,000 to £800,000 with a leading Swedish company.

LINDBERGH'S BABY FOUND?

CONFLICTING RUMOURS

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

NEW YORK, March 13.

It is rumoured that the Lindbergh baby has been found in Crossville, Tennessee.

Sheriff's Report.

Conflicting reports of the Lindbergh baby are again prominent. The Sheriff of Crossville, Tennessee, reports that a baby has been found which tallies completely with the Lindberghs' baby. A description was confirmed by Colonel Lindbergh by telephone. Four persons, who have been arrested, will be held until the arrival from Hopewell of someone able to identify the baby.

Police Contradiction. Meanwhile, the Hopewell Police state there is no truth in the Crossville rumour.

No Connection.

THRENTON, NEW JERSEY, March 13.

The Commander of the Police here has made a statement to the effect that the baby detained in Crossville has no connection with the Lindberghs, and that Johnson, the sailor friend of the Lindberghs' baby's nurse, has been exonerated from all complicity in the kidnapping.

I. I. D. CERTIFICATES.

The Société Internationale des Placements, Base, cable that the official quotation in Paris for one sub-unit of the International Investment Deposits Certificate last Saturday was 63/6.

GERMAN PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

HINDENBURG NOW CERTAIN OF RE-ELECTION

CAMPAIGN PASSES QUIETLY

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BERLIN, March 13.

In what was probably Germany's most exciting election in history, President Hindenburg to-day failed to obtain re-election by the very narrow margin of one per cent, though he polled over seven million votes more than Hitler.

A second ballot will be taken a month hence, on April 10, when there will be a straight fight between Hitler and Hindenburg.

The polling booths all over Germany were crowded with masses of voters from an early hour and it is believed that an average of 83 per cent of the eligibles recorded their votes.

The polls closed at 6 p.m. and up to that time there had been no serious disturbances, except one clash between Nazis and Communists at Remscheid, in which three Communists were killed and three Nazis were arrested. Three hundred arrests were made in Berlin for minor offences.

At 9.15 p.m. when the first five million votes had been counted, it appeared quite possible that Hindenburg would secure an absolute majority. He had obtained 2,300,000 votes and appeared to be easily winning the towns, though Hitler had obtained advantages in some of the rural districts.

Thaelmann, the Communist candidate did not appear to be making much headway while Winter was scarcely in the picture.

RHINELAND LOYAL

Hindenburg was scoring heavily in the Rhineland, but the personal affection for the aged President did not prevent the inhabitants of Dietrichsdorf, where he spends a shooting holiday every year, from voting for Hitler. Out of the three hundred and ninety votes recorded in this village, Hitler obtained 228 and Hindenburg 157.

At 10.30 p.m. Hindenburg had strikingly advanced on the previous position and at that time held an absolute majority, the votes recorded being:

Hindenburg	9,589,748
Hitler	5,649,058
Thaelmann	2,561,288
Deisterburg	1,180,783
Winter	53,624

COLOGNE TENSION

Excitement is running high in Cologne, and there have been sporadic disturbances at various centres. Serious trouble is not expected, at least until the result is known. Meanwhile an anxious atmosphere prevails in the streets, Nazis and Communists sitting in shadow to shadow, furtively eyeing each other and ready for any eventualities.

When three-quarters of the votes had been counted, President Hindenburg still had an absolute majority of 220,000, the figures being:

Hindenburg	14,958,557
Hitler	8,293,003
Thaelmann	3,781,580
Deisterburg	1,717,100
Winter	83,795

EX-ROYAL VOTES

The members of the ex-Royal Family living at Potsdam voted at an early hour. The ex-Crown Prince is believed to have cast his vote for Hitler and this is taken for granted in the case of the ex-Prince August Wilhelm, who is a member of the Nazi Party.

When a million votes remained to be counted, Hindenburg had dropped back from his former dominant position, being a shade behind an absolute majority, with the odds against his getting in with

out the necessity for a further ballot.

The figures were:

Hindenburg	19,064,535
Hitler	10,835,093
Thaelmann	4,746,186
Deisterburg	2,473,869
Winter	103,828

PRAYERS IN COLOGNE

Many thousand Catholics in Cologne prayed all night long for the success of the Protestant, President Hindenburg (despite the fact that Herr Hitler is a Catholic).

The unprecedented rush of women to the poll was the outstanding feature of the elections in the Rhineland. Thousands of Catholics made a pilgrimage to the ancient chapel on the outskirts of Cologne at midnight, and knelt for three hours in the bitter cold, praying for Hindenburg's success.

Twenty thousand pilgrims attended a special Mass at the Cathedral between two and three o'clock in the morning, of whom eleven thousand received Communion at fifteen special altars.

The churches in the Rhineland were also thronged all day long.

WOMEN POLL HEAVILY

Women began to flock the polls as soon as the booths opened. The great majority are believed to have voted for Hindenburg.

An 84-year-old nun left the cloisters for the first time in her life in order to vote.

"How can I lie in bed and see Hitler in?" declared another woman, who, though very ill, despite the orders of her husband and her doctor, rose from a sick bed to go to the polling station.

These are typical instances of the keenness of the women voters, of whom it is estimated that at least 90 per cent. went to the polls.

PROVISIONAL FINAL FIGURES

BERLIN, March 14. The provisional official result of the presidential election is as follows:

Hindenburg	18,418,883
Hitler	11,144,541
Thaelmann	4,024,856
Deisterburg	2,497,889
Winter	109,892

President Hindenburg failed to obtain his absolute majority, by a margin of 267,866 votes and a second ballot will take place on April 10.

HINDENBURG'S MAGNIFICENT FIGHT

BERLIN, March 14. The outstanding feature of the election is that although Hindenburg missed by a hairs-breadth, he is certain of a decisive victory in the second ballot, when only a bare majority will be needed.

Hindenburg's magnificent fight against the boisterous Nazi campaign has astonished even his most optimistic supporters, especially in Bavaria, where the veteran Field-Marshal swept the board, obtaining from two to three times as many votes as the confident Hitlerites.

Hindenburg also crushingly triumphed in Berlin but the Nazis gained votes all over the rest of Germany as compared with the 1930 election.

BRITISH PRESS COMMENT

(Reuters' Special Service.) LONDON, March 14. The result of the German elections was received with satisfaction by the British Press.

The *New Chronicle* mirrors the general sentiment by saying that the return of von Hindenburg in the second ballot will be received with a sigh of relief throughout Europe, adding a warning that the next time there may not be Hindenburg to hold the reins.

FANLING RACING.

ENTRIES FOR EASTER MEETING ON SUNDAY.

We give below the entries for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club Easter Meeting, to be held at Kwai on Sunday:

Autumn Steeplechase: 14 Miles.

For China Ponies Subscription Grifflins of this Club. Weight for inches as per scale plus 3 lbs. Winners 5 lbs. Weight for inches as per scale plus 2 lbs. Winners 5 lbs. penalty. Winner \$150.00, 2nd prize \$100.00, 3rd prize \$75.00. Entrance Fee \$2.00.

Longclamps Plate: 14 Miles.

A Hurdle Race, of 14 Miles for China Ponies. Winners of 2 or more Hurdle Races this year barred. Weight for inches as per scale plus 3 lbs. Winners 5 lbs. penalty. Subscription Grifflins of this Club allowed 5 lbs. Penalties and allowances accumulative. Winner \$100, 2nd prize \$100, 3rd prize \$75. Entrance Fee \$2.00.

Ponies:—African Eve, Anson, Ataman, Black Maria, Bunzo, Day Light Eve, Donabella, Duke of Neiblung, Moanagher, Ostris, Pak, Patch, Ploughman, Target, The Partridge, The Quail.

Falling Grand National and Pierce Grove Memorial Cup.

A Handicap Steeplechase of 21 Miles for China Ponies. Top weight not to exceed 165 lbs and bottom weight not to be less than 145 lbs. Winner: To hold for one year the Challenge Cup with replica presented. 2nd prize \$150, 3rd prize \$100, Entrance Fee \$2.

Ponies:—African Eve, 155 lbs, Anson, 145, Ataman, 158, Christmas Frolic, 160, Duke of Milan, 145, Duke of Neiblung, 145, Loch Ryan, 145, Marquis Hall, 145, Patch, 145, Royal Flush, 165, Target, 155, The Partridge, 145, Vasylock, 168.

New South Wales Plate. A Steeplechase of 13 Miles for Australian ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of a Steeplechase 7 lbs. Penalty. Winner \$150, 2nd prize \$100, 3rd prize \$75. Entrance Fee \$2.00.

Ponies:—Fritz, Kobel, Robertsbridge, Rosdrop, St. Moritz, The Bustard.

Human Stakes.

A Flat Race of six furlongs for China Ponies Subscription Grifflins of the Hong Kong Jockey Club of this season and ponies classified by the Hong Kong Jockey Club on December 31, 1931, in "D1" and "D2" classes. Winners of a Race since January 1, 1932 barred. Weight for inches as per scale. To be ridden by jockeys who have not won 10 races anywhere at any time. No whip or spurs allowed. Winner \$250, 2nd prize \$150, 3rd prize \$100, Entrance Fee \$5.00.

Ponies:—Amos, Bright Eyes, Celery, Glorious Stag, Jupiter, Malakit, Sonny Boy, Sunning, Volata.

The Ladies' Mile.

A Flat Race for China Ponies. Subscription Grifflins of the Hong Kong Jockey Club of this Season that have started and not been placed. To be ridden by Ladies. Catchweight 145 lbs. No whip or spurs allowed. Winner \$250.00, 2nd prize \$150.00, 3rd prize \$100.00. A cup will be presented to the winning rider. Entrance Fee \$5.00.

Ponies:—Amos, Bright Eyes, Celery, Glorious Stag, Jupiter, Malakit, Sonny Boy, Sunning, Volata.

LOCAL YACHTING.

PRESENTED CUPS (LADIES).

The result of the race for presented Cup (Ladies) which was sailed yesterday resulted as follows:—
The course was:—1, Lyeemun Beacon (P.); 2, East Rock Mack (P.); 3, Channel Rocks (P.). Distance: 7.7 miles.

"H" Class (Started at 3 p.m.).

TIMES				
Yacht	Sailed by	Finished	Corrected	P'tion
Kolla (Mrs. Sheldon)		5.29.45	5.25.10	2
Dorothea (Miss Blake)		5.55.50	5.46.51	3
Diana (Mrs. Bingham)		5.17.51	5.11.26	1
"Y", "X" and "G" Classes (Started at 3.05 p.m.).				

"I," "Y" and "G" Classes (Started at 3.05 p.m.).

		Times		
Yacht	Sailed by	Finished	Corrected	P'tion
Daphne (Miss Stokes)		5.48.57	5.48.57	1
Why Wonder (Mrs. Fowkes)		6.24.25	6.23.47	4
Bluejacket (Mrs. Adams)		Did not finish		
Speedwell (Mrs. Stuart)		5.50.17	5.38.30	2
Eunice (Mrs. Rose)		6.23.58	6.18.12	3

HONG KONG POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS BY HON. MR. T. K. KING, I.G.P.

Chinese Company.

Training Course—Part II.—All recruits will attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters to-day at 3.34 p.m. for instruction.

Defendu Class.—This will be held tomorrow at Police Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under Sub-Inspector R. J. Hunt.

Training Course—Part I.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Police Station for Squad Drill on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.

N.C.O.'s Class.—All N.C.O.'s will attend the Chinese Company's Headquarters on Friday, at 4 p.m. for instruction under Mr. Paterson, P.P.T.S.

Indian Company.

Training Course—Part II.—All members who have not passed Part II. of Training Course should attend at the Chinese Company's Headquarters, 17, Queen's Road Central, on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.

Inspection Parade.—All ranks of the Indian Company will parade at Central Police Station on Wednesday, March 23, for a general inspection of equipment, etc., by the Company Commander. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. sharp, under Sub-Inspector R. J. Hunt. Dress—Blue uniform, cap with white cover, belt, truncheon, whistle, and armband with badge. Those not in possession of uniform will attend in mufti. No member may be absent from this parade without leave from the Company Commander. The Equipment Officer will make it a point of being present. Recruits will attend.

Flying Squad.

The final instructional patrol of the month of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday. All members must attend. Members will fall in at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Blue uniform and cap with white cover.

Race Duty.—Members who are detailed for duty at the races will parade at Central Police Station on Saturday and Monday, March 26 and 28, at 1.30 p.m.

Reserve Emergency Unit.

Defendu Class.—The Defendu Class under Sub-Inspector R. J. Hunt will meet at Police Headquarters on Thursday, at 5.30 p.m.

Recruits Revolver Practice.—A revolver practice for all recruits will be held on the Kennedy Road Range on Friday. All new members will assemble outside Queen's Pier at 5.10 p.m. with belts and holsters. Those in possession of revolvers will bring them. Lance-Sergeant B435 B. P. C. Fletcher will take charge of the instruction.

Notice.—A meeting of N.C.O.'s and Squad Leaders will take place in the office of the O.I.A. Company tomorrow at 5.15 p.m.

(Sgd.) D. L. KING, D.S.P. (R.).

DYING MAN'S MISTAKE.

HOW WIDOW LOST \$6,000.

WITNESSES SIGN TOO SOON.

A widow who had been left \$6,000 by her husband loses the money as a result of a decision in the Probate Court.

The will was revoked because the husband signed it after the attesting witnesses, instead of before.

"The result," said the President (Lord Merivale), "is that the woman is deprived of that which her late husband at the last moment of his life, intended that she should have."

Mr. Charles William Herbert White, of Beechwood, Blenheim, Monmouth, brought the action against his step-mother. He claimed an intestacy, alleging that the will, dated July 17, 1928, was not properly executed.

Defendant was Mrs. Gladys Lillian Spencer Jones, of Chapel-road, Newport, she having married again last year.

Mr. Bayford (for Mr. White) said that Mr. White was one of three children of his father's first marriage. He was in South Africa when the will was made and his father died.

Testator Signed Last.

Evidence was given by Mr. Charles White and by Mrs. Gertrude Price (nee Crowley), one of the attesting witnesses, who said the testator signed the will last.

Mrs. Spencer Jones gave evidence that Mr. Charles White, the plain-deff, wrote her a letter in which he said:

"I think you are a wonderful girl for the way you have looked after dad, in spite of the fact that you are not robust yourself."

Mr. Bayford: You are not suggesting, are you that Mr. Charles White has got up a false case because you got married again?

Mrs. Jones: I do.

Allegation Denied.

Mr. Frank White said he had no quarrel with Mrs. Jones. Mr. Bayford: Is there any truth in the suggestion that you have been making a false case in order to spite the widow?

Mr. White: Absolutely none.

Giving judgment Lord Merivale said that from the time the testator's brother became aware that the widow intended to marry again, he treated her with hostility and assisted in depriving her of the property which her husband intended her to have.

He (Lord Merivale) had to determine whether the due execution of the will was proved beyond reasonable doubt. "I am not able so to determine," he said. "I may be profoundly dissatisfied with that state of affairs, but that is not a matter which can affect my decision."

He then revoked the probate already granted and pronounced against the will.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[All letters intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as evidence of good faith.—Ed.]

VENEZIA—SUI TAI COLLISION.

CHUEN CHOW RESCUERS—AN APPEAL.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

SIR,—In my capacity of Chairman of the Macao Jockey Club, I think it is fitting that I should make an appeal to all those passengers who were on board the s.s. "Venezia" on the 12th inst., when the collision took place between that ship and the s.s. "Sui Tai," for some tangible recognition of the services of the Officers of the s.s. "Chuen Chow," who came to our rescue, stood by us during a most trying and dangerous time, and subsequently took us on board and expended to us the hospitality of their ship.

Will those passengers who would like to identify themselves with a suitable appreciation of the occasion, please send their subscriptions to me?—Yours, etc.,

G. H. POTTS,

c/o Messrs. Benjamin Potts, 11, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.

MIXED NUDISM.

(TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS.")

SIR,—Allow me to voice a little common sense in connection with the intended formation of a Nudist Association at Hong Kong.

Mildly put, it is disgusting if the Government permit this movement and allow these nudists to go on. Nudism, may be worked to some advantage in our Home countries, but for the love of common intelligence, leave alone such super-modern stuff out in the East, where we foreigners have to make continuous efforts to regain already "lost face." The Eastern races are not likely to understand this nude-movement, and whatever respect for the white race there is left will be gone forever, if we allow this folly.

The present times of unrest and war are so serious that people of sense should not let obscure idealism run away with them, at least not in the East, and absolutely not in these times when criticism of the Western is perhaps stronger than ever before. Why go out of the way to become the laughing stock of Eastern races? Did Mr. Laneport and his mixed disciples ever think about this?—Yours, etc.,

NESTOR.

GUARDS WITH NO PASSPORTS.

INDIANS FINED FOR TAMPERING WITH PERMITS.

Two Indian Guards were fined \$50 each by Mr. Wynne Jones yesterday when they were convicted on a charge of returning to the Colony without adequate passports from India.

According to Mr. L. H. V. Booth, who prosecuted, the defendants joined the guards in 1925 and both of them had good records, resigning in June 1931. They had no passport at the time and as the police insisted on everyone having a passport and knowing that it was difficult to secure such a document from India, the Police Department issued the two men with permits when they left Hong Kong. If they ever went back to India, the permits stated that the police had no objection to their returning to Hong Kong provided they obtained passports in India from the authorities.

The defendants in due course left for India, but in March, Mr. Booth received from the Commissioner of Police in Calcutta the two permits issued to the defendants. In one case the permit had been "X-ed" out on a typewriter and in the other case it had been erased. The men had returned to the Colony and were taken back again in the Guards Department.

Mr. Hui Shing Lo, in admitting the offence on behalf of the defendants, explained that the men were ignorant of the serious nature of the offence which they had committed. He asked that the men be not expelled from the Colony.

After his speech had ended the defendants \$50 each, Mr. Booth stated that the men would not lose their present jobs as guards.

VARSITY UNION.

ANNUAL ELECTION.

The Hong Kong University Union held its annual general meeting at the Great Hall of the University yesterday afternoon, when a large crowd of students were present.

In his annual report, the Hon. Secretary of the Union, Mr. N. K. Law, said that the financial position of the Union was sound. There were 440 members, and the subscriptions amounted to \$2,875.

The Hon. Secretary touched briefly on each of the affiliated clubs (the Tennis Club, Football Club, Cricket Club, Photographic Club, Musical Society, Basketball Club, Hockey Club, Arts Association, Billiard Club, Swimming Club, and Athletic Club.) He expressed thanks to the following gentlemen for their kind support and donation:—Mr. Loke Wen Yat, Dr. Arthur Wu, Sir Wm. Hornell, Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Messrs. T. N. Chan, M. K. Lo, Ho Kom Tong, Kwok Sin Lau, the late Fung Ping Shan, The Sun Co., and others. He was sorry to record the death of Sir Charles Eliot, the University's first Vice-Chancellor, and Dr. J. Anderson, a former Professor of Medicine at the University.

Mr. W. B. Finnigan, the Hon. Treasurer of the Union, read and explained the accounts, which were unanimously adopted.

The following were elected as office-bearers for the season 1932-33: President, Mr. N. K. Law. Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. L. Wong. Two Independent Members:—Messrs. Y. F. Chew and D. J. N. Anderson.

H.M.S. DEVONSHIRE HERE.

RELIEF CREWS FOR MOTH AND SEAMEW.

H.M.S. Devonshire arrived from Home last evening to relieve H.M.S. Berwick on the China Station. The latter left last week for Home to be re-fitted and recommissioned, and will probably return to China in about six months' time.

The senior officer on the Devonshire is Capt. D. B. de Motte while Commander G. E. Boulbee is also on the vessel. In addition to bringing the usual personnel of naval officers men and marines, the Devonshire had on board relief crews for H.M.S. Moth and H.M.S. Seamew. The men to be relieved on those vessels are to be transferred to England by the vindictive.

The Devonshire is of the same class as the other cruisers on the China fleet, and is the vessel on which a serious explosion occurred about two years ago, when one of the turrets exploded, killing several men.

HOTEL BMJS OF TENNIS STARS.

AMATEURS MUST BE AMATEURS.

Considerable perturbation will be caused in English lawn tennis circles by a strongly-worded circular letter sent out by the secretary of the Lawn Tennis Association.

The letter warns committees controlling tournaments, and other competitions that they must apply rigidly the existing rules as to the preservation of a player's amateur status.

No player, it states, can be excused from paying his entry fee at a tournament, and a close watch must be kept on the hotel expenses of tournament players.

The Favoured Few.

It is permissible at present for tournament players to be charged only 50 per cent of the usual hotel tariff, but the suggestion is that considerably less than 40 per cent, at least, is laid down, must apply to all players, not a favoured few.

A tournament committee is naturally anxious to get "star" players to enter; their presence means considerably increased gate money; hence the temptation to offer "inducements."

The L.T.A. has now stepped in and forbidden any such inducements outside the existing rules. The existence at present of the scandal of free hotel accommodation and the waiving of entry fees cannot be denied.

TRAGEDY OF OLD SWEDEN.

FATHER'S DESIRE FOR REVENGE.

Stockholm, Feb. 8.—A dark family tragedy which occurred eleven centuries ago, thirst for vengeance, and weird magic spell form the subject of an inscription on the world's most remarkable rune stone at Rook, in Sweden. By a recent decision of the Government this rune stone will now be removed from its present humble position to a high site overlooking the Ostrogothian Downs, which slope gently down from the mighty mountain of Omberg.

The rune monument is known as the "Rook Stone," as it was found in the parish of Rook in Ostergotland, one of Sweden's most beautiful and historically interesting provinces. In the midst of the fertile and smiling Ostrogothian plain, an ancient cradle of Swedish culture, the stone with its mystic inscription stands as a sinister memorial of ancient times of violence and family feud.

For 70 years experts on runes have grappled with the inscription, which includes runes in shorthand, the author being one of the greatest rune-masters known to science, but the latest interpretation, which was recently given by Professor O. V. Rietz, of Uppsala University, seems to be the most reliable one.

An old man by the name of Varin, he says, tells in the inscription of how his son was murdered and deplores that he is too old to wreak vengeance on the murderer according to the unwritten law of the age. He has, however, a son of tender age to whom he transfers the sacred duty of revenge. In parts the inscription, numbering some two hundred words, runs in alliterative verse, and in its awareness recalls the mystic poetry of the Icelandic Edda.

The rune carver has inscribed the most powerful and violent magic spells and curses against the murderer. He also adds spells intended to give his young son strength and power to take vengeance on behalf of his aged father.

A great part of the text consists of a runic cipher, probably with-craft shorthand runes, which have long baffled the philologists who have attempted to decipher them and ascertain their hidden meaning. The stone is probably the most interesting and remarkable of all the archaeological remains of Teutonic antiquity, and the runes cut about 800 A.D. are as clean cut and legible as if they had been made yesterday.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

THE 17th ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS will take place (weather permitting) on the School Ground, Causeway Bay, on Saturday, 10th March, commencing at noon. Mr. Lo Cheung Shiu, J. P., has kindly consented to present the prizes. Members of the Q.C.O.B.A. and other friends are cordially invited.

[1932]

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY OF HONG KONG.

THE ANNUAL DINNER and MEETING will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL (Roof Garden) on MARCH 19th, at 6 p.m. Members and other whose names are on the books of a College at either University, are requested, if they desire to attend and have not yet sent in their names, forthwith to communicate with—

R. E. LINDBELL,
Camb. Secy.

c/o THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

[1932]

TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC LONDON.

LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.

A Cable has been received from London advising that the Practical examination must be held this year at end of September, instead of June.

Further entries may now be received up to 1st June. Apply for entry forms from Wm. ANDERSON, Local Secretary, c/o THE ANDERSON MUSIC CO., LTD. [1932]

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 19th and Sunday, 20th March, 1932 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, the Sports Club, and the Stables, Village Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock Noon on Thursday, 17th March, 1932.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

[1932]

1932-1933.

SEELED TENDERS will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March 1932, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions, and necessaries for the year ending 31st March 1933.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R.N. Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

THOS. Wm. MYLES,
Surgeon Captain, R.N.,
Medical Officer in Charge.
Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong,
14th March 1932. [1932]

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Sixty-third Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 30th MARCH 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1931.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th March 1932, both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 9th March, 1932. [1932]

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CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March, 1932, at 12 Noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1931, to elect Auditors, and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th to the 23rd day of March, 1932, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hong Kong, 1st Mar., 1932. [1932]

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT AND LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th Floor, at 12.15 p.m. on Wednesday, the 23rd day of March 1932, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolution:—

That there shall be added to Article 71 of the Articles of Association of the Company the words:—

"but the Chairman shall receive double remuneration."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the China Entertainment & Land Investment Co., Ltd., will be held at 12 o'clock Noon on Wednesday the 18th day of April, 1932 for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the above-mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above-mentioned Resolution.

Dated this Second day of March 1932

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.

[1932]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 43rd Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 31st day of March 1932, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 12th March, 1932, to Thursday, 31st March, 1932, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ALLAN KEITH,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1932. [1932]

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Company's Board Room, 3rd Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 24th March, 1932, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1931, electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Monday, 14th March, 1932, until Thursday, 24th March, 1932, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
B. L. KING,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th March, 1932. [1932]

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE

THE Fourth Yearly Drawing of 20 Debentures (1932 issue—\$500 each) of the Hong Kong Club, Payable on Friday, the 30th September, 1932, will be held in the Club House, at 11 o'clock, a.m., on Thursday, the 17th March, 1932.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By order,
T. A. ROBERTSON,
Lieut. Col.,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th March, 1932. [1932]

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

ADELPHI.

Andre, Lebon, M.M., March 15.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 20.
Tergeste, Dodwell, April 2.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.

ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Adams, Dollar, March 20.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

ALGERES.

Shantung, Gilman, March 30.

AMOI.

Haining, Douglas, March 15.
Tainan, B. & S., March 17.
Haiyang, Douglas, March 18.
Suisang, J. M. & Co., March 19.
Haiching, Douglas, March 22.
Talamba, M. M. & Co., March 25.
Hosang, J. M. & Co., April 3.

AMSTERDAM.

Derfing, Melchers, April 2.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.

ANTWERP.

Katori Maru, N.Y.K., March 19.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Taipei, B. & S., March 18.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 28.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Change, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.
Nellors, M. M. & Co., April 30.

BALI.

Tjisadane, J.C.J.L., March 15.
Asia, Manners, April 16.

BALTIC PORTS.

Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.

BALTIMORE.

Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.

BANGKOK.

Hiram, Thoresen, March 18.
Kwaiyang, B. & S., March 19.
Helios, Thoresen, March 20.
Kwangchow, B. & S., March 20.
Hellas, Thoresen, March 25.
Muinam, Manners, March 25.
Hirundo, Thoresen, March 27.
Hiram, Thoresen, April 3.
Hellas, Thoresen, April 10.

BARCELONA.

Sauerland, Jeben, March 31.
Derfing, Melchers, April 2.

BATAVIA.

Tjisadane, J. C. J. L., March 22.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.

BOMBAY.

Pres. Adams, Dollar, March 20.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Tergeste, Dodwell, April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., April 23.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

BOSTON.

Tai Yin, Dodwell, March 19.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, March 20.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 2.
Siamese Prince, Furness, April 7.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Javanese Prince, Furness, May 1.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

BREMER.

Alster, Melchers, March 29.
Derfing, Melchers, April 2.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.

BRINDISI.

Tergeste, Dodwell, April 2.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.

BRISBANE.

Taipei, B. & S., March 18.
Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Change, B. & S., April 19.
Nellors, M. M. & Co., April 30.

CAIRNS.

Taipei, B. & S., March 18.
Change, B. & S., April 19.

CALCUTTA.

Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., March 15.
Santia, M. M. & Co., March 23.
Yuenang, J. M. & Co., March 25.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Taima, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Kumsang, J. M. & Co., April 5.

CHEFOO.

Kuichow, B. & S., March 15.
Huichow, B. & S., March 25.
Cheongshing, J. M. & Co., March 27.

CHONGKING.

Andre, Lebon, M.M., March 15.
Sarpedon, B. & S., March 16.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., March 19.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 20.
Tergeste, Dodwell, April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Glaucus, J. M. & Co., April 3.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

COPENHAGEN.

Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.

DAIRY.

Chenau, B. & S., March 15.

DISBURT.

Andre, Lebon, M.M., March 15.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 20.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.

DUMKIRK.

Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.

DUNDEE.

Pres. Adams, Dollar, March 20.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

FOOCHOW.

Haining, Douglas, March 15.
Haiyang, Douglas, March 18.
Haiching, Douglas, March 22.

GENOA.

Pres. Adams, Dollar, March 20.
Shantung, Gilman, March 30.
Sauerland, Jeben, March 31.
Derfing, Melchers, April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Rames, Jeben, April 18.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Leverkusen, Jeben, April 20.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

GLASGOW.

Sarpedon, B. & S., March 16.

HAMBURG.

Kasama, Bank, Line, March 16.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.
Sauerland, Jeben, March 31.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Derfing, Melchers, April 2.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Glaucus, J. M. & Co., April 6.
Rames, Jeben, April 18.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.
Leverkusen, Jeben, April 20.

HAYRE.

Kasama, Bank, Line, March 15.
Polydorus, B. & S., March 17.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.

HONGKONG.

Pres. Coolidge, Dollar, March 16.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 17.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 23.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, March 29.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R., April 8.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar, April 12.

HOIHOW.

Kwaiyang, B. & S., March 19.

HULL.

Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.

ITALY.

Tergeste, Dodwell, April 2.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.

JAPAN PORTS.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., March 15.
G. Metzinger, M.M., March 16.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 17.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.
Pembrokehire J. M. & Co., March 28.
Rames, Jeben, March 18.
Tai Yin, Dodwell, March 19.
Suisang, J. M. & Co., March 19.
Anchises, B. & S., March 21.
Havel, Melchers, March 21.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 23.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., March 24.
Yamaguchi Maru, N.Y.K., March 24.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.R., March 25.
Glaucus, J. M. & Co., March 25.
Talamba, M. M. & Co., March 25.
Nagara, Gilman, March 27.
G. Philipp, M.M., March 29.
Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Leverkusen, Jeben, March 30.
Nellors, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Somali, M. M. & Co., April 5.
Saarbrücken, Melchers, April 5.
Ruh, Jeben, April 10.

KEAN.

Alster, Melchers, March 29.
Shantung, Gilman, March 30.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.

PANAMA CANAL.

Pres. Coolidge, Dollar, March 16.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 17.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, March 29.
Toba Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar, April 12.

PENANG.

Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., March 15.
Sarpedon, B. & S., March 16.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., March 19.
Santia, M. M. & Co., March 23.
Chomor, J.C.J.L., March 24.
Yuenang, J. M. & Co., March 25.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 29.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Taima, M. M. & Co., April 3.
Kumsang, J. M. & Co., April 5.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.

PHILIPPINE ISLAND PORTS.

Taipei, B. & S., March 18.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., March 28.
Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.
Change, B. & S., April 19.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 23.

PORT SAID.

Andre, Lebon, M.M., March 15.
Sarpedon, B. & S., March 16.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 20.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.
Shantung, Gilman, March 30.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Tergeste, Dodwell, April 2.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Gange, Dodwell, April 13.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.

PORT SWETTENHAM.

Glaucus, B. & S., April 11.

RABAU.

Nankin, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Nellors, M. M. & Co., April 30.

RANGOON.

Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., March 15.
Penang Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.

ROTTERDAM.

Kasama, Bank, Line, March 15.
Sarpedon, B. & S., March 16.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., March 19.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.
Sauerland, Jeben, March 31.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Derfing, Melchers, April 2.

SARPEDON.

Andre, Lebon, M.M., March 15.
Sarpedon, B. & S., March 16.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., March 19.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, March 20.
Rajputana, M. M. & Co., March 20.
Nagara, Gilman, March 27.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 29.
Persius, B. & S., March 29.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Burdwan, M. M. & Co., April 2.
Pres. Harrison, Dollar, April 3.
Alster, Melchers, April 4.
Corfu, M. M. & Co., April 10.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
Asia, Manners, April 16.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Rames, Jeben, April 18.
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, April 17.
Havel, Melchers, April 20.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., April 23.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar, May 1.

SARPEDON.

Andre, Lebon, M.M., March 15.
Felix Roussel, M.M., March 20.
G. Metzinger, M.M., April 12.
G. Philipp, M.M., April 26.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Pres. Coolidge, Dollar, March 16.
Tai Yin, Dodwell, March 19.
Pres. Wilson, Dollar, March 29.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 23.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar, April 12.

SANDAKAN.

Yuenang, J. M. & Co., March 26.
Mausang, J. M. & Co., March 27.
Hinsang, J. M. & Co., April 6.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Shantung, Gilman, March 30.
Java, Manners, April 1.
Asia, Manners, April 16.

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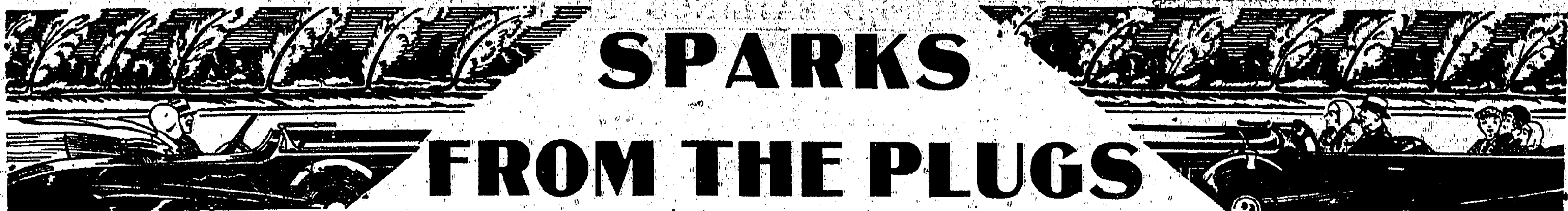
Pres. Jefferson, Dollar, March 19.
Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Pres. Madison, Dollar, April 2.
Pres. Cleveland, Dollar, April 16.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.

SHANGHAI.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.R., Mar. 15.
Yalshing, J. M. & Co., March 15.
G. Metzinger, M.M., March 16.
Suiyang, B. & S., March 16.
Fookshing, J. M. & Co., March 17.
Tainan, B. & S., March 17.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., March 18.
Kwangtung, B. & S., March 18.
Pembrokehire, J. M. & Co., March 18.

SINGAPORE.

Tai Yin, Dodwell, March 19.
Suisang, J. M. & Co., March 19.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., March 23.
Chaksang, J. M. & Co., March 20.
Sinkiang, B. & S., March 20.
Anchises, B. & S., March 21.
Sunning, B. & S., March 22.
Hinsang, J. M. & Co., March 23.
Yamaguchi Maru, N.Y.K., March 24.
Rawalpindi, M. M. & Co., March 24.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.R., March 25.
Glaucus, J. M. & Co., March 25.
Nagara, Gilman, March 27.
Norviken, J. M. & Co., March 27.
G. Philipp, M.M., March 29.
Hiye Maru, N.Y.K., March 29.
Malaya, Manners, March 31.
Nellors, M. M. & Co., April 4.
Somali, M. M. & Co., April 5.
Tatuta Maru, N.Y.K., April 6.
Rampura, M. M. & Co., April 7.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.R., April 8.
Glenogly, J. M. & Co., April 8.
Fordos, M.M., April 12.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.R., April 22.
Glaucus, J. M. & Co., April 22.
Chenonceaux, M.M., April 26.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., April 26.



WOMEN DRIVERS MORE CAREFUL THAN MEN.

SURPRISES OF A U.S. SURVEY.

Women in America are more careful motorists than men.

A motor-car colliding with an obstacle at 60 m.p.h. has the same capacity for inflicting damage as a car driven off the top of a skyscraper 120 ft. high.

Sunday is the black day of the week for motoring.

The dangerous age for driving is under twenty.

These and other highly interesting motoring facts are contained in a volume just published by and American insurance company.

Here is some news that will please women drivers:—

A male driver was involved in a personal injury accident for every twenty-one male drivers licensed, in a non-fatal accident for every twenty-two licensed, and in a fatal accident for every 739 licensed.

A woman driver was involved in a personal injury accident for every eighty-five women driver licensed,

in a non-fatal accident for eighty-six licensed, and in a fatal accident for every 3,558 licensed.

Which seems to prove that in the United States at any rate women are the more careful drivers.

The period of discretion in car driving does not begin in most cases until the age of thirty is reached. The accident record of drivers under twenty is shown to be 39 per cent. worse than that of drivers from twenty to twenty-nine years of age.

From forty to forty-nine years of age seems to be the most discreet period of a driver's life.

The Black Hour.

Sunday is the worst day of the week for accidents, and Saturday comes next. This, it is stated, is due to the fact that traffic on Sunday is mostly away from big towns, where some degree of regulation is exercised.

As to the time of day for accident frequency, the black hour in the United States is between 5 and 6 p.m., when most accidents occurred, but actually more deaths resulted between 6 and 7 p.m.

Another fatal period is between 1

and 6 a.m., when streets and highways are least used. It is suggested that the high death rate between these hours is due to the light-hearted abandon with which car owners drive home from parties and other festivities.

Motoring beginners are not so dangerous as drivers with a year's experience.

It is shown that 91 per cent. of the drivers involved in accidents in 1931 which resulted in death or non-fatal injuries had more than one year's driving experience.

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Drivers with only three months' experience have an excellent record; with three to six months' experience the standard of care falls off, and after a year's experience drivers who imagine they know all about the art take risks—and send up the accident rate.

The cost of accidents to insurance companies in the United States in 1931 was \$500,000,000.

This is more than the annual cost of public school education in the United States and five times the country average yearly fire loss—incomprehensible wealth (according to the document) that could be put to better use.

ROAD AND RAIL "WAR."

THE TURNPIKE TOLLS PARALLEL.

Four large railway "containers" mounted on motor lorries are touring England to demonstrate their capacity for moving the household goods from one home to another, either by road or rail. Since the container system was advocated by Mr. A. W. Gattie many years before the war, its adoption now is, as evidence of enterprise, not particularly striking. But as an example of what the relations between road and rail might be it is preferable to the damaging and misleading statements made last month to the Ministry of Transport by the railway managers.

If the two systems were at open war the railways could not have pleaded more desperately for political help. Professing to be all for a fair field and no favour, they really, on the plea of old age and "vested interests," claim that their young and vigorous challenges should enter the ring with a hand tied behind his back.

A Hundred Years Ago.

As Colonel Hacking, of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, pointed out there is a curious parallel to the present controversy in what happened just a hundred years ago, when the roads were used, the road-owners were trying to stop the rise of the railways.

A Select Committee of the Commons was appointed in 1839 to inquire into the effect of railways on the turnpike trusts, and this is what its chairman said: "Those who were suffering from the railways had in great measure to blame themselves. The innkeepers, turnpike trustees, and stage coach proprietors had done all in their power to oppose the steam carriages, and so were like the man in the fable who killed the goose for the egg. If they had allowed such carriages to run at reasonable tolls (turnpike tolls) many railways would never have been commenced."

This road versus rail problem is world-wide. The railways apparently see no other alternative than a severe restriction on motor transport as in Germany, or an increase in railway freight rates as in the United States. In Australia and South Africa the German plan has been followed with results that are held up as a warning to us. Says Colonel Hacking: "The politically managed railways sit like the old man of the sea upon South Africa, and particularly upon its primary industries, and the State investments in railways (about £140,000,000) are regarded as sufficient reason for depriving South Africa of good roads and cheap motor transport."

To the conference of the various motor interests, shortly to be held, may safely be left the task of countervailing in detail the assertions and arguments of the railway managers, but one of their statements needs answering at once.

A False Argument.

Road users, say the railway managers, should bear the whole cost of the roads in proportion to their use, but, according to the Royal Commission, the total annual cost of the roads is £30,000,000, towards which the motorist finds £20,000,000 and the ratepayer £40,000,000; therefore the ratepayer as such should be relieved of this £40,000,000 which should be found by the motorist.

That is a misleading quotation of the Royal Commission's report. Comparison of 1913 and 1928 Budgets shows that education, public health, police have all increased their calls on the ratepayer to a greater extent than the roads, and that while the former have had greatly increased Exchequer grants in aid of local expenditure, one section of road users has not only found all the moneys of the Road Fund, but large sums which have been seized for general purposes, and in addition a special revenue of some £14,000,000 a year, which, under the derating scheme, has relieved the railways of much of their local taxation.

Actually, as the Royal Commission declared, the motorist's retort to the railwayman is: "I am taxed to the extent of two-thirds of the cost of the roads, and it is not my fault that the money is not spent on the roads." And, of course, the motorist is also a ratepayer, so he catches it both ways.

ON THE ROAD.

THE AUSTIN SIXTEEN.

A "twin top" gear-box, similar to that recently introduced for the Austin Twelve-Six, is now available as a £10 extra for the Sixteen. With the improvement this car, for four years one of the most popular and satisfactory of "light sixes," becomes as thoroughly up-to-date in all that matters as the youngest of its rivals.

On the road drivers have found the new gear-box a decided attraction. Since the Sixteen has always had four speeds, which were reasonably quiet, the constant mesh "silent third" does not, as in the Twelve-Six, entirely alter the car's character, but it is very well worth the extra charge for the new ease of traffic driving, using third practically all the time, and for the exhilarating hill-climbs it makes possible. The engine has plenty of power for a full load in the capacious body, and on this new third you have speeds up to a good 40 m.p.h. at command.

In addition there are other improvements common to all the 1932 Sixteens. The switches and gauges on the fully equipped dash are now neatly grouped in front of the driver, leaving room for a large cubby-hole on the left, and the

throttle and ignition controls are now of the finger-tip pattern on the centre of the steering wheel with the headlight dipper. The Burnham saloon sent me has a sliding roof and bumpers all round as standard and it is upholstered and furnished in first-class style. Its price, including the twin top gear-box, is £335. There are now also models of the Sixteen, closed and open, at under £300.

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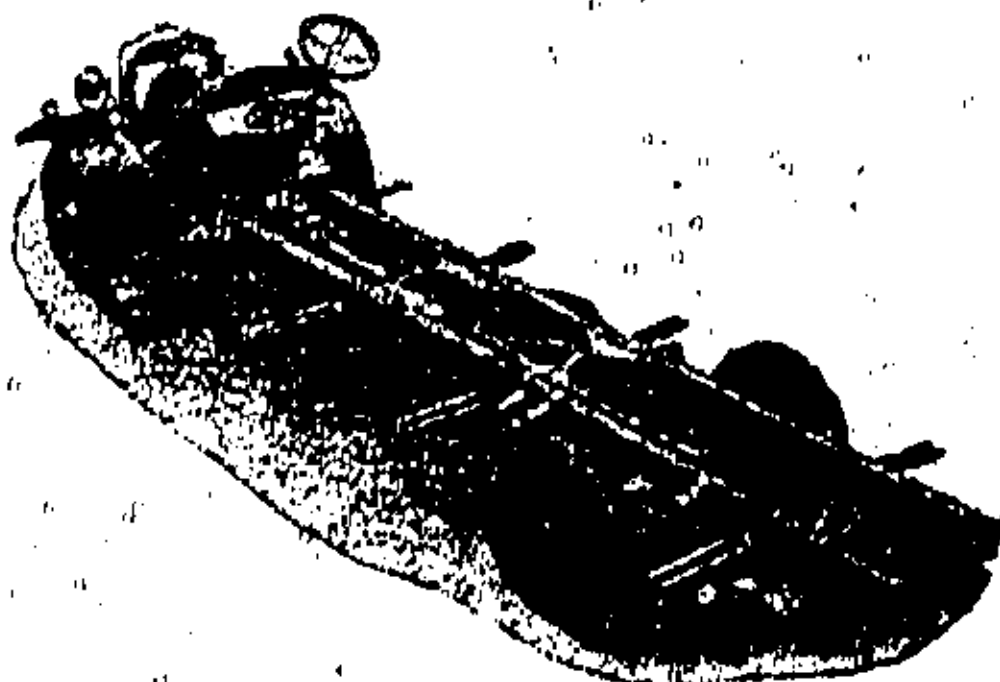
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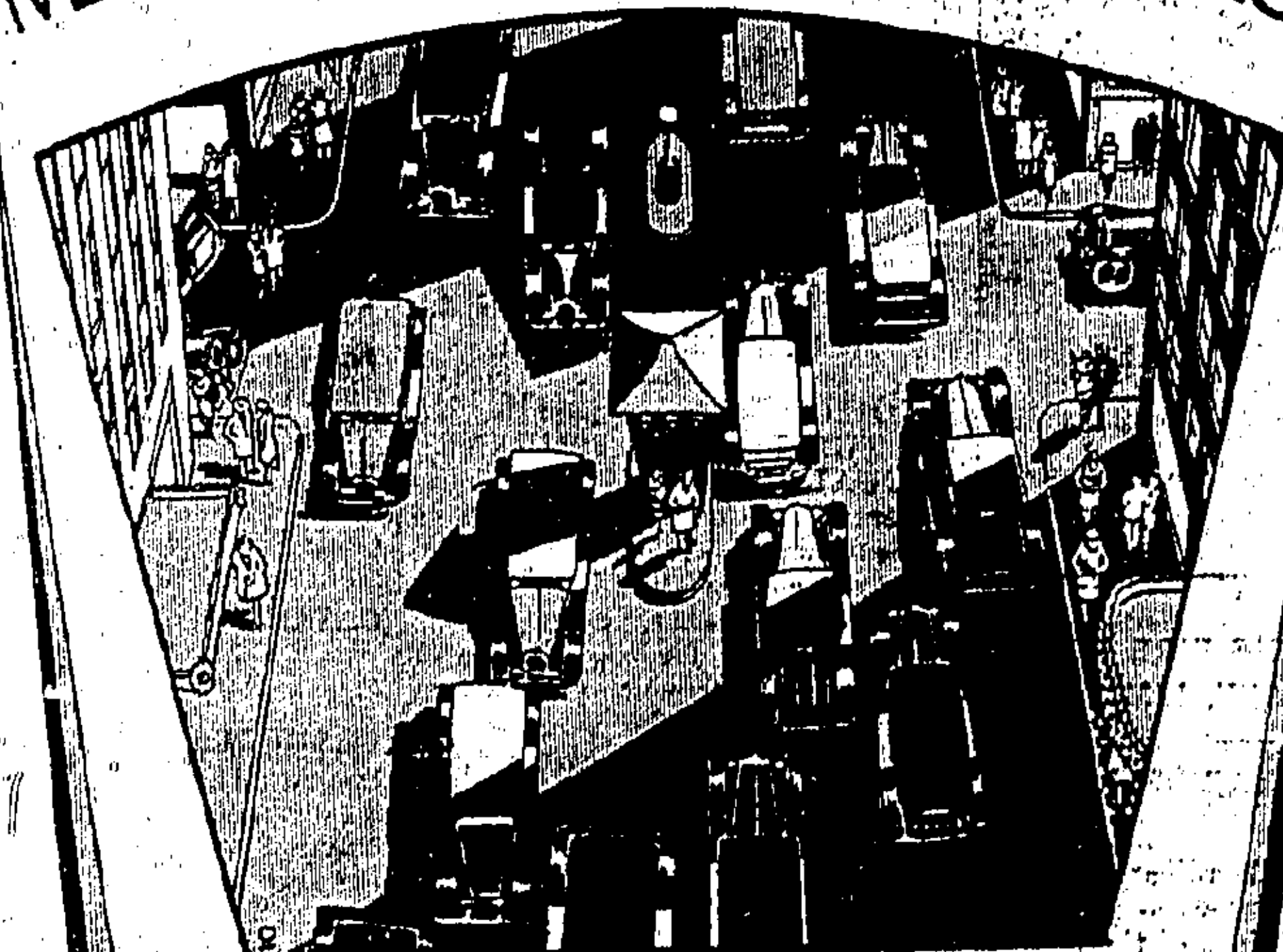
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Emp. of Japan	May 6	May 6	May 11	May 11	May 13	May 19	May 24
Emp. of Asia	May 20	May 23	May 24	May 24	May 28	June 4	June 10
Emp. of Canada	June 3	June 3	June 8	June 8	June 8	June 10	June 16
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"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	26th. Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"* MIRZAPORE "	6,700	26th Mar.	Shiraz, Colombo & Bombay
"* "BURDWAN"	6,500	2d Apr.	Bombay, Mars, L'don, Havre. H'bg, R'dm, A'werp, & Hull
"CONFU"	18,000	8th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"KAWALPINDI"	17,000	23rd Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"HANPURA"	17,000	7th May	do.
"* "SOMALI"	6,800	14th May	Bombay, Mars, L'don, Havre. H'bg, R'dm, A'werp, & Hull
"CHITRAL"	18,000	21st May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"RANGEL"	17,000	4th June	do.
"* "BANGALORE "	6,500	11th June	Bombay, Mars, L'don, Havre. H'bg, R'dm, A'werp, & Hull
"NALDERA"	18,400	18th June	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALRAH-I-HIND"	12,000	2nd July	do.
"* "BRUTAN"	6,000	9th July	B'bay, Mars, L'don, Havre, H'bg. R'dm, A'werp, & Hull
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"* "MANTUA "	11,000	30th July	do.
"* "BOUDAN"	6,500	6th Aug.	Bombay, Mars, L'don, Havre. H'bg, R'dm, A'werp, & Hull
"RAWALPINDI"	17,000	18th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"* "HANPURA "	17,000	27th Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"* "BURDWAN"	6,500	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London, Havre. H'bg, R'dm, A'werp, & Hull
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"NELLORE"	8,500	5th Apr.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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"NANKIN"	7,000	8th June	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
"RAJPUTANA"	17,000	16th June	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SOUDAN"	6,800	23th June	do.
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